

Fair and warmer tonight; Tuesday unsettled; fresh southwest winds.

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# VICTORIES FOR ALLIES

## MAN NEARLY MURDERED IN MARKET STREET ROW

Now at Hospital With Skull Fractured—Assailants Held in \$7000 Each—Drunks Numerous

Beaten into a state of unconsciousness by two men who used a beer bottle or some dangerous instrument as a weapon, Paul Gourlak of 666 Market street was last night taken to the Lowell Corporation hospital, where he now lies in a critical condition. Physicians state that his skull is fractured and he cannot live. In consequence of information secured from Gourlak after

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## FIERCE STORM SWEPT OVER LOWELL RUSSIANS AND BRITISH DEFEAT STRONG FORCES

Czar's Troops Defeat Persian Insurgents—British Rout Turks—King Peter in Italy

VIEW OF THE BIG TREE BLOWN OVER AT WORTHEN AND MOODY STREETS  
Photo by Barr Engraving Co.

## ACCIDENT BOARD CASE

Hearing at City Hall on Death of H. E. Chase, Employe of U. S. Cartridge Company

Howard E. Chase, of 237 Foster street, died October 6, and it was alleged that his death was due to an injury sustained while at work in the United States Cartridge company's plant in Lawrence street, April 29.

A hearing in the case was held in the public reception room at city hall this forenoon. The hearing was under the provisions of the workmen's compensation act. The committee on arbitration consisted of Joseph A. Parks, chairman; Frank Goodwin, for widow of deceased, and J. J. Pickman for the insurer. John J. Hogan was counsel for Mrs. Chase and H. S. Avery of Boston for the insurer, the London Guarantee and Accident company.

Howard E. Chase was employed as a planer in the primer department. His wages at the time of the accident amounted to \$16.20 a week. He was engaged in lifting a piece of cast iron, a planing table, that proved too heavy for him and he was obliged to drop it. His brother, Cyrus Chase, was lifting on the other end of the table when Howard dropped it. The table weighed 465 pounds.

Cyrus was the first witness called at today's hearing. He said that he and his brother had first lifted a piece of iron weighing about 200 pounds and then they tackled the big piece weighing 465 pounds. Cyrus said he did not know if his brother's hands slipped or whether he let go voluntarily. Cyrus was not injured. He said that as soon as his brother let go of the casting he put his hand to his heart as if in great pain. Cyrus told his brother to go home and that he would tell the boss what had happened. Upon arriving at the foot of the stairs Howard Chase was informed that his mother was dead. Both brothers then went to the home of their sister with whom their mother lived in Andrews street. Cyrus Chase said that the news of their mother's death did not come as a shock to himself or his brother, as she had been ailing for some time. She was a very old woman and they knew that her death might occur at any moment. It was on Thursday that Howard Chase was injured and that his mother died. Cyrus had the funeral postponed until Sunday because of his brother's condition. Howard went to his mother's funeral and that was the last time he was out of doors. The doctors said his death was due to a leaky valve in his heart.

Cyrus Chase said that he and his brother had the assistance of only one man in lifting the big planing table from its elevation of about two feet to the floor. He said they ought to have had the assistance of another man at

**SUNK WITHOUT WARNING**

**FRENCH STEAMER VILLE DE LA CLOTA TORPEDOED IN MEDITERRANEAN**

PARIS, Dec. 27, 5:35 p. m.—The French steamer Ville de La Cloat with passengers on board, was torpedoed without warning and sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine on December 24. The ministry of marine announced today. Most of the passengers and members of the crew have been rescued.

The steamer Ville de La Cloat was torpedoed and sunk on the 24th in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were picked up by English steamer. Details have not been received.

**NOTICE**

Employees of the United States Cartridge Co.

Persons who were employed by the United States Cartridge Co. prior to Sept. 25th, but who have since been separated from our employ are entitled to the compensation due to the difference in rate allowed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

Persons who have been employed after Sept. 25th, and who have since been separated from our employ are not entitled to the compensation. Previous employees who have claims as outlined in the first paragraph may receive adjustment of wages according to the following schedule:

Primer Departments, Tuesday, Dec. 28, from 2 to 5 P. M.; Bullet and Artillery Primer Departments, Wednesday, Dec. 29, from 2 to 5 P. M.

Finish Shell and Loading Department, Thursday, Dec. 29, from 2 to 5 P. M.; Explosive Inspecting and Packing, Scrap, Cannons, Stock and Stores, and Shot Shell Departments on Thursday, Dec. 30, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Per order of H. B. COHO, Business Director.

## Big Trees Blown Over, Chimneys Torn Down and Other Damage Done—Traffic of All Kinds Delayed

It surely must have been on such a day as yesterday that the ill-fated wood-saw Julie Planté, and her romantic cook, Rosie, went down on the Lake St. Pierre 'bout arpent from de shore.

"De win' she blew lak hurricane, Bimby she blew some more."

As a general rule when big storms have swept the country, Lowell has been particularly fortunate, and has experienced but little of the disastrous fury of the elements. But yesterday proved the exception, and Lowell surely was storm-bound for three solid hours during which much damage was done within the city limits. The harm done is greater in the neighboring towns than in the city proper; but in this case, comparatively little damage has been reported from the adjacent towns while all over the city considerable havoc was wrought, and at as well protected a point as Worthen and Moody streets with tall buildings on all sides a huge tree was blown down, its roots being lifted clear of the ground.

Sunday morning dawned fair and all indications pointed to a good day atmospherically. The thermometer soared up to 50 degrees and churchgoers found the temperature of the different edifices rather uncomfortable on account of the heat.

But about 11 o'clock clouds quickly gathered, the wind sprang up and assumed terrific velocity while a combination of rain and sleet descended violently, drenching the churchgoers on their way home from late service.

The rain and sleet of the noon hour were soon followed by a blinding snow storm and a drop in the temperature from 50 degrees at 11 o'clock to 32 at 1 o'clock.

From 1 o'clock until about 3 Lowell was in the grasp of a regular old fashioned blizzard, "with all the fixin's." The wind raged from the northwest having shifted from the southeast and drove the snow with such violence that pedestrians found it almost impossible to navigate while electric cars and automobiles went out of commission.

In the Highland district where there is much open territory and high land the velocity of the wind seemed most terrific and yet no great amount of damage is reported from this section. Houses rocked and creaked while the wind howled a wild symphony.

The exit of the storm-king was quite

as sudden and as picturesque as his entrance. Toward 3 o'clock the snow ceased and the wind gradually began to subside. In the western sky which

had been of inky-hue, brownish clouds

began to emerge from the darkness gradually becoming brighter until finally the sun burst through them bathing the western horizon in a flood of golden fire, the magnificence of which

was enhanced by a comparison with the eastern horizon which continued

as black as traditional night until fully

an hour after Old Sol had gained the ascendancy in the west. By 4 o'clock,

no overhead indications of the storm-

king's visit remained, but on earth

they were plentiful as will be noted below.

**The Storm**

There was a drop in temperature of

15 degrees in about two hours, when

the storm began to rage furiously at

1 o'clock. The wind shifted from

the southeast to the northwest and

lashed across the open spaces with ter-

rific force, felling up all kinds of traf-

fic. The strong wind drove the drifting

snow through the streets making

it impossible for autoists or street car motormen to see far enough ahead to drive with safety.

Two big elms trees were uprooted causing considerable damage.

**Big Tree Blown Down**

A magnificent elm tree said to be one of the largest in the city, located in Worthen street just off Moody street, succumbed to the fury of the blizzard. The tree was ripped clean from its hold on the ground and moved roots and all a few feet into the street.

The main trunk and branches fell across the street striking a low building owned and occupied by John Donohoe, wrecking

two brick chimneys and ripping up

parts of the roof. A number of windows in the building were broken and bricks were thrown all over the street and sidewalk. The ceilings and walls on the interior of the building were also damaged.

Mr. Donohoe and his family were

eating their Christmas dinner when they were startled by a loud crash and the sound of falling bricks.

Articles of furniture were knocked about the room and pictures fell from their places on the walls. Several windows were knocked out and the whole framework of the house creaked. The members of the family

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and had to be cleared away by the park

department.

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# WORK ON STATE HIGHWAYS

What Highway Commission Expended in Middlesex Co.—But 16 Ft. of New Road for Lowell

Special to The Sun  
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 27.—That \$146,229.73 has been expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the county of Middlesex for state highways during the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1915, is the statement made by Secretary Briero of the highway board in a letter to County Treasurer Joseph O. Hayden. Of this amount the cities and towns of the county will be called upon to contribute \$36,307.45, or 25 per cent, of the total expenditure, but will be given six years in which to make the final settlement. This will leave \$6051.24 to be contributed annually, the payments coming due on Nov. 15, of each year.

Accompanying this communication are several tables which contain figures from which these results were prepared. One table gives the lengths of state highway laid out during the year; another table the lengths of state highway constructed; another the amounts paid for repair and maintenance; and a table giving the amounts expended under the "small town" act.

These tables show that 12,392 feet, or 2.35 miles of state highway have been laid out during the past year; that 19,378 feet or 3.69 miles, have been constructed; that \$78,616.28 have been expended, exclusive of repairs and maintenance; that \$56,317.10 has been paid out for the repairs and maintenance; and that \$16,366.11 has been expended under the provisions of the "small town" act, all in the county of Middlesex.

The lengths of state highway laid out in Middlesex county during the past year, and the communities in which the work was done, follow: Chelmsford, 5178 feet; Reading, 954 feet; Tewksbury, 881 feet; and Woburn, 5249 feet.

The lengths of state highways constructed in the county during the past year, follow: Ayer, 200 feet; Chelmsford, 8876 feet; Groton, 300 feet; Lowell,

HOYT.

It will be able to ascertain for a few days. Members of the firm, with bookkeepers, spent all day yesterday taking account of stock, but up to last night were unable to discover where any more than \$3805 was missing.

The police have but one clue to use in solving the mystery, and that is a finger print on a dollar bill which was left behind by the robbers. A copy of this print will be made and it will be compared with the finger prints of some well known safe breakers.

All day yesterday Inspectors Waite and Alexander worked in connection with the police at the City Hall avenue station. It is their opinion that the men were very familiar with safes because of the clean-cut job they did. The safe is located in the rear of the store and surrounded with show cases. Despite this fact not a single case was broken nor was any woodwork shattered.

The postoffice inspector cannot make himself believe that the two men slashed the sack and tore open the various letters and packages merely to find money. There are circumstances connected with the case that make it appear that some one was anxious to get something that the sack contained. It is reported that papers relating to foreign shipments of powder made by the Du Ponts were in the mail sack which was cut.

Postoffice Inspector Plummer admits that at least four and maybe more letters known to have been in the rifled sack are missing. What they contained he could not say and will not be able to say until a conference is held.

The sack that was rifled contained the registered mail of the banking and brokerage house of Laird & Co., which handles the Du Pont business. Both Johnsons remain mute in their cells and have nothing to say other than to deny that they knifed the sack. Asked to explain how checks totalling \$300,000 happened to be found partly burned in an old stove in a yard in the rear of the house where they lived at 211 Orange street, and securities worth \$700,000 under the seat of their wagon, they simply shook their heads and said they did not understand it.

Whether the prisoners will break down and tell what they know is what is puzzling Postoffice Inspector Plummer. The pair will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Bassett Thursday morning. They were held temporarily in \$3000 bail each Saturday by Commissioner Mahaffey. The authorities are at a loss to understand how it happened the sack opened was probably the most valuable one ever sent out from the local postoffice. They say that unless some one knew what the sack contained that either of the other two might have been rifled. They held nothing but ordinary Christmas packages and mail.

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## MOB ATTACKS THE JAIL

LATE WAR NEWS  
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TO GET AT PRISONERS ACCUSED OF MURDER

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 27.—Until a late hour last night a mob of white men, variously estimated at from 100 to 500, surrounded the Muskogee county jail here, apparently preparing for a renewal of their efforts to lynch two negroes accused of killing a policeman.

Earlier in the evening two attempts of the mob to break into the jail were repulsed by state guardmen. On the first attempt the attackers broke down the front doors of the jail with a steel rail, used as a battering ram. Members of Co. E, Oklahoma National Guard, were forced to charge with fixed bayonets before the mob would disperse.

The two negroes, William Green and Mathis Foreman, are charged with having shot and killed Patrolman Sam Neal early yesterday, when he attempted to arrest them on suspicion of burglary. County officials said last night that one of the negroes confessed.

## STRIKING MOULDERS MET

NO CHANGE IN SITUATION—THE STRIKERS PAID BENEFITS THIS AFTERNOON

The strike of molders and cermaketers at the Saco-Lowell shops is now two weeks old and thus far no overtures have been made by either side. The men demand an increase of 25 cents per day over the minimum wage of \$3. Pickets have been out every day at the plant and they report that only a few foreigners are engaged in the foundry.

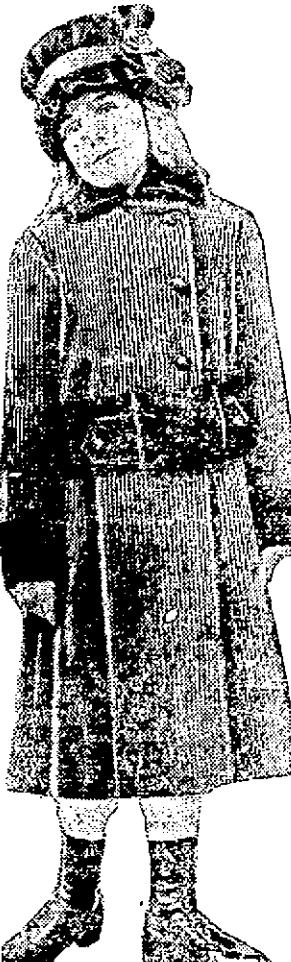
A meeting of the men was held this morning in Trades &amp; Labor hall. Business of considerable importance was transacted and Secretary Charles E. Anderson read the roll call. Interesting remarks on unionism were made by Eugene L. Murphy of Norwood, New England organizer for the International Molders' union, and by Thomas Reagan, general organizer for the United Textile Workers of America.

This afternoon the men assembled at the hall again where they were paid the first strike benefit from the union. Each member in good standing will receive \$7.40 weekly until the strike is declared off.

The company now has an order for spinning frames for China which were received as a result of the work of Fred Hailey who was sent as special emissary to the Orient by Agent E. E. Blake. The order is worth \$200,000.

## AT THE LOWELL JAIL

The prisoners at the Lowell jail were given the freedom of the corridors on Christmas day and in this manner Christmas greetings were exchanged during the forenoon and afternoon. At noon the men and women were served a fine roast pork dinner, while the bill of fare also included such good things as pie, fruit and vegetables.



## GOING VISITING

This child has a warmly lined coat of striped velvet in two tones of brown. Collar, cuffs and belts are of plain brown velvet, as is the bonnet with its tiny ostrich tip on one side. This is the kind of coat that clever mothers can successfully make.

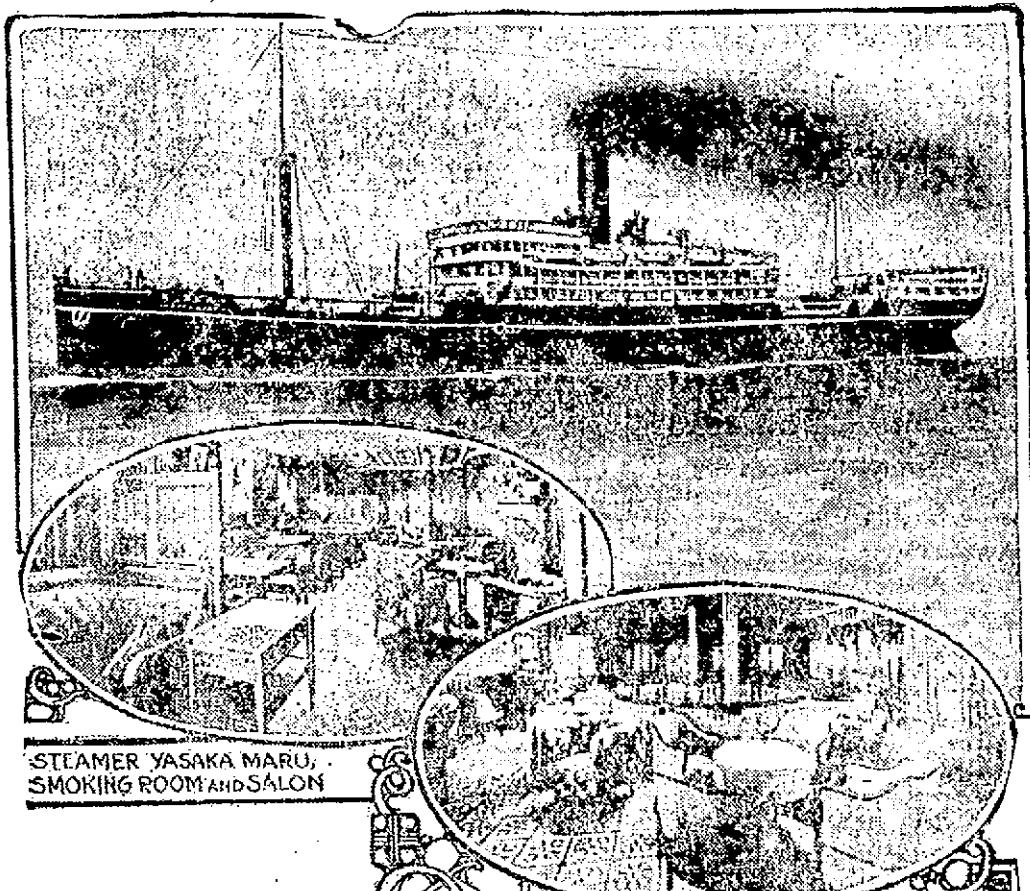
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\$12,500,000 IN GOLD WENT TO THE BOTTOM  
WHEN THE YASAKA MARU WAS TORPEDOEDSTEAMER YASAKA MARU,  
SMOKING ROOM AND SALON

wounded, it is declared, while the British casualties were under 200.

King Peter of Serbia arrived at Brindisi, Italy, on Christmas day, having been conveyed from Avlona, Albania, on an Italian cruiser. He announced before leaving Avlona that he wished to go to Salonic to consult with the Serbian minister of war as to military plans.

## Report Russians Demoralized

Berlin has received reports through Constantinople that the Russian army opposing the Turks in the Caucasus is demoralized from various causes, notably illness and lack of proper equipment. The latest official Russian report announces successes for the Caucasus army in repulsing a strong Turkish detachment and breaking up Turkish fortifying operations.

## Renounces Claims to Membership

Advises through Berlin declare that M. Goumaris, the Greek statesman, whose party won the recent elections, has expressed his willingness to support the present Skouloudis ministry, relinquishing his own claims to the premiership.

## Policy of Greece Unchanged

In an interview with a French newspaper correspondent, M. Goumaris declared the policy of Greece was unchanged and that she did not wish to be dragged into the war, but he would not commit himself as to what Greece might do should Bulgarian troops enter Greek territory.

## Sunk Without Warning

Washington has been advised by the American consul at Port Said, that the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, torpedoed in the Mediterranean last week, was sunk without warning. She made no attempt to escape, it is declared in the report which said also that the nationality of the submarine was unestablished.

## Quiet on French Front

On the front in France neither Berlin nor Paris reports operations of note, the activity being confined to artillery play and mine explosions. Victories for Montenegro.

Further victories for the Montenegrins, who are continuing the offensive, is reported by their war office. They have taken several villages from the Austrians and inflicted heavy losses, their statement asserts.

## Allied Hold in Saloniki

General Castelnau, chief of the French general staff, who is in Athens, declared in an interview that it would be impossible for the allied forces to be ousted from Saloniki, where he had spent several days examining the ground. He said the position provided most favorable opportunities for offensive as well as defensive action.

## Greek Classes Disbanded

Two auxiliary classes of Greek troops have been disbanded according to a news agency despatch from Athens.

## Three Allied Steamers Sunk

Apparently submarines have again been active in British waters, or nearby. The sinking of three steamers was reported today, one of them a vessel of more than 4000 tons, the Ministro Bernaert, a Belgian owned craft, last reported at London. Two boatsloads of the crew from this steamer are missing. The other steamers sunk were British, the Hall of 1777 tons and the Coltingham of 513 tons, while the British steamer Emble of 1172 tons was beached at the mouth of the Thames, afterward.

## CONFLICTING REPORTS COME TO LONDON FROM NEAR EASTERN CAMPAIGN

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Conflicting reports continue to reach London from the scene of the near eastern campaign. Statements from some sources make it appear the Teutonic allies are preparing steadily for an offensive movement, in conjunction with the Bulgarians and Turks. Other advices, however, are to the effect that the Bulgarians fear to attack lest they be caught between two fires in the strip of territory from the Saloniki-Uskub to the Saloniki-Gevgeli railroads.

The central powers are still negotiating with Greece. An interview with Premier Skouloudis foresees failure of the efforts to prevent an invasion of Greece. It is intimated that if an invasion is undertaken the Athens government will devote its efforts toward obtaining guarantees of the evacuation of Greek territory immediately following the completion of military operations.

Along the western front Paris reports successful artillery actions by the French in the Champagne, Aveyron and Vosges. Berlin says operations are restricted by incessant rain.

The British public is looking forward with keen interest to today's cabinet meeting. It is expected the cabinet will consider the report of the Earl of Derby in regard to his enlistment plan, with especial reference to the effect of this report on the question whether military service shall be compulsory.

## FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S WAR NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

Alarming rumors circulated in Switzerland state that Kaiser's condition is causing profound anxiety in Berlin.

Intense artillery actions on French and Austro-Italian fronts without change in positions.

Turks report encircling movement at Kut-el-Amara progressing.

Fall of Persian cabinet, and nomination of Prince Firman Firma as premier by shah regarded as great diplomatic victory for entente allies.

Scarlet fever epidemic sweeps Germany from Bremen to villages in Posen.

Skouloudis cabinet to remain in power in Greece.

Lloyd George pleads with 3000

trades unionists at Glasgow for suspension of union rules to provide

munitions workers and save British lives.

## PURSER RELEASED BY FRENCH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—William

Garbe of Brooklyn, purser of the

American steamer *Despartes*, taken

on by the French cruiser

Despartes in Porto Rican waters Dec. 15, has been

released. Advises today to the French

embassy the other men taken

from American ships by the cruiser

are being held pending investigation

of their liabilities to military service

in the German Army. Representations

by the United States against the tak

ing of Germans from American ships

now are at the Paris foreign office.

Garbe, a German by birth, had taken

out his first American naturalization

papers.

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## SLEEPYTIME TALES

## GREEDY TIP.

Once upon a time Tip, the country squirrel, had his first Christmas tree in the house of Baby John. On Christmas day he thought he was having the best time he ever had in his whole life for he knew to a squirrel a great time is to have plenty to eat, as they don't need any clothes, or shoes, or hats and don't care to travel very far from home.

As soon as the Christmas tree was over he began to go from place to place where he had hidden his presents and to eat and eat as though it was very necessary that he should eat. It is all at least within a day or so. His little stomach swelled out big and fat and pretty soon he began to have awful pains and to be so sick that he could not scamper about, in fact he could not walk even slowly, to where he had hidden some more nuts and candy.

Finally he crawled close up to Baby John and with a squeak rolled over on the floor. Baby John's father had to take him up and give him some medicine before he began to feel better. He got some sense in his little head, however, from the experience and did not go near the tree again for a week and for a long time his "table manners" were very dainty and his appetite small.

## Bell—Hayden

James J. Bell and Miss Margaret Hayden were married yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's church, the ceremony being performed at 4 o'clock by Rev. Dr. D. J. Keleher, pastor. The bride wore silk and carried lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss Jeanne Bartlett, who wore blue silk and carried white carnations. The best man was Harold Wright. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, the wedding march being played by Charles O'Neill. Dinner was served and a musical program was given those taking part being Joseph Clark, Stephen Lynch, Clas. Searles, William J. Bell, Mrs. Emma Wilson, Miss Nora Looney and John J. Hayden. At the close of the reception Mr. and Mrs. Bell, who were the recipients of numerous wedding gifts left on an extended wedding trip to New York and upon their return they will make their home at 35 Burns street.

## Donahue—Coyle

Frank Donahue and Miss Mary Coyle were married yesterday afternoon at St. Patrick's rectory, the ceremony being performed at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. The bride wore white muslin with chiffon overdrapes and carried bridal roses. The bride-maid, Miss Annie Coyle, a sister of the bride, was attired in pink crepe de chine and carried pink roses. The best man was Arthur Donahue, brother of the bridegroom. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 59 Rock street, where a wedding dinner was also served. Mr. and Mrs. Donahue, who received numerous wedding gifts, including silver and cut glass, left on an extended wedding tour and will be at home to their friends at 32 Rock street after Feb. 1.

## STEAMER CONDEMNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The steamer *Solvieg*, owned by the American Trans-Atlantic Co., has been condemned by the French prize court. The owners will appeal.Flying a Norwegian flag, the *Solvieg* was seized while in a French port. American papers reached her commander a few days later. Suspected German ownership was given as the cause for detaining the vessel.Official advises announcing the condemnation by a prize court in Hamburg, Germany, of the American sailing ship *Pass of Salmah*, reached the state department today. The department will take no action in either case until it has been passed on appeal.

A skirt made of black cloth and a coat of white satin, richly ornamented with black silk braid, reversing to white when it meets the skirt, giving this decidedly trim effect. The choked collar of black fur matches the dashed

## OF THE COLONEL

PRES. WILSON BUSY

## Snow Kept Him Indoors Today and He Devoted the Morning to Correspondence from Washington

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 27.—Heavy snow kept Pres. Wilson indoors today, and he devoted the morning to papers brought from Washington. With Mrs. Wilson he planned to go motoring later in the day. Among the questions before him was the selection of a postmaster for New York city, several applications for pardons and numerous routine executive orders.

## WOMAN MEDICAL WORKER IN SERBIA WEARS "TEDDY BEAR" COSTUME



## SWEET SIXTEEN!



With untiring and unflagging zeal and devotion the foreign medical missions in Serbia continued their work among the war sufferers even when the land was conquered by the Germans and Bulgars. The latter found the medical workers hard at work at Kragujevac when they got to that city and made prisoners of them. One of the largest bodies of workers is the Stobart mission from Great Britain, headed by Mrs. Stobart. She went to Serbia from England last April and has had charge of a large number of ambulances. At one wayside dispensary operated by the Stobart mission near Kragujevac 500 patients were treated. In the picture may be seen the arrival of a stretched patient at the Stobart hospital. Mrs. Stobart, whose duty it was that day to receive the patients, is seen here in a white "Teddy Bear" costume, with a slouch hat. The costume was adopted as a protection against typhoid.

# XMAS TREES IN TRENCHES THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

A. P. Man Spent Christmas Eve With Bavarian Reserve Company—Tells of His Experiences

WITH THE GERMAN ARMY IN NORTHERN FRANCE, Dec. 24, via Berlin and Berlin to London, Dec. 27.—War is no respecter of customs. Therefore there was no cessation of activity along the line in northern France on Christmas eve—if possible the French artillery fire more nearly approximated the celebrated "drum fire" of the late September offensive than at any time since then.

Christmas to the average German, however, is the most important day of the year and the Bavarians in northern France refused to allow the French artillery to spoil their celebration. At along the line, from the most advanced trenches to the communication points in the rear, Christmas trees blazed almost as if in opposition to the roar of exploding shells.

It was the fortunate lot of the Associated Press correspondent to be able to spend Christmas eve with a Bavarian reserve company, every member of which had been in the field at least a year and most of whom spent the preceding Christmas in the field.

French guns boomed incessantly, shells rippling up acres of ground but luckily not intruding upon the scene of the celebration of the First company of Regiment No. 10. In order to spend the evening as nearly as possible in the accustomed way all the members of the company had been assembled from their various posts and gathered in a little wooden building just behind the front. A tiny stage had been erected for the inevitable orchestra and speakers and in one corner stood a little Christmas tree laden with tinsel and sweets.

Adjoining it were long tables on which were gifts for the soldiers—cigars, socks, mittens, chocolate, and all kinds of wearing apparel—mostly home-made articles stitched by loving fingers and intended to lessen in some degree at least the rigors of winter time.

Not a man of the company was less than 39 years old, and the majority of them were 45. Nine out of every ten, as one could tell by the ring on their fingers, were married. The majority, too, had sons in the field and many had lost their nearest and dearest. The company's captain, in private life a lawyer, and

had learned but a short time before that his son had fallen only a few miles away. The father's voice broke as he spoke of his son's death, yet five minutes later he mounted the little platform and spoke to his men in ringing tones in which there was no trace of the sorrow he had just expressed.

The music was without exception devotional rather than patriotic. After the first song servants brought in huge mugs of Munich beer sent especially from Bavarian breweries. The captain had received literally boxes of presents for his men and as far as possible had divided them equally.

Accidentally or through design each reservist had to pass his captain and for each the commanding officer had some special greeting. "Hello, Fritz, have you something from your wife?" "Merry Christmas, Johann, is that boy of yours getting better?" were examples of his salutations.

When a shell exploded especially near or with an unusually loud report the whole room broke into laughter. As midnight approached the scene became gayer. Except for the uniforms one could not have guessed the Germans were soldiers who had been separated from their families for months and who had lost friends or relatives upon the field of battle.

An element of earnestness was injected into the celebration when the captain rose to speak. Not as an officer to privates but as man to man he thanked his soldiers for what they had done. He referred to the previous Christmas and then to the hopeful expectation that peace would come soon, calling upon them to continue to render the same service to the Fatherland as they had been given.

His final words had just been spoken when a tremendous French artillery salvo sounded with a boom that drowned every other sound. It was followed by another salvo of pledges from the soldiers, assuring their captain of their loyalty to the last drop of their blood.

The only civilian guests were Americans.

Wherever possible German soldiers attended church on Christmas day.

## Grand Services in the Churches—Musical Programs in Catholic Churches

The Christmas services at the church of the Immaculate Conception were beautiful and impressive as usual. The festive note was apparent in the decorations, in the musical programs and in the elaborate ritual of the holiday season.

Festoons of Holly and laurel have been wound round the pillars and the many lights were twined with greenery. The high altar was a mass of flowers, the predominating color scheme being red and green. At the altar of the Virgin, the crib had been arranged in artistic impressiveness and all eyes were attracted to it by a star that gleamed among the dark pines in the background.

Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I., the pastor, spoke at all of the masses, his sermon consisting of a brief exposition of Christmas, followed by a discourse with the happiness of the people of the parish.

He reminded the congregation of the real meaning of Christmas, declaring that while the social side of it should not be lost sight of, the real meaning of Christmas became known only in those who realized the significance of the group at Bethlehem.

He also spoke with feeling of the message of "Peace on earth" which the angels brought, and said that his best wish for his people was the dawn of the peace of God in their hearts.

Finally, he wished all those in his parish "Merry Christmas and a happy new year."

The musical program was most impressive. At the high mass and the evening vespers service the regular church choir alternated with an augmented sanctuary choir of over 50 voices, under the direction of Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I.

At the high mass Father Sullivan gave a wonderful rendering of "O Holy Night," his fresh young voice ringing out with a real Christmas message, and Charles McGovern sang Knightley's "Birthday of the King."

Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I., celebrated the mass, assisted by Rev. Edward J. Fox, O.M.I., as deacon, and Rev. James McCarron, O.M.I., as sub-deacon.

The vespers services were as beautiful and touching as usual, the main feature being the procession of about one hundred and fifty children of the parish to the crib, dressed in snowy white and each wearing a wreath and carrying a huge bouquet of cut flowers.

During the procession the little ones sang hymns and Christmas carols. Rev. Fr. McQuaid, O.M.I., officiated with Rev. W. J. Stanton, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Fr. McCarron, O.M.I., as sub-deacon.

The church was radiant with the decorations and the brilliant lighting effects which are turned on at the more elaborate evening services.

High mass yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I., and the sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. McCarron, O.M.I.

It was announced that the masses on New Year's day will be at 5:30, 6:30 and 9 o'clock and vespers at 7:30 in the evening.

On Friday evening there will be special New Year's eve services, including the singing of the "Te Deum" and the "Miserere" to thank God for the blessings of the past year and to ask His forgiveness for the sins of the year.

The churches assigned to St. Peter's for holy name services are St. Peter's, Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, St. Margaret's, St. Joseph's, Lithuanian, St. Stanislaus, Polish, St. Andrew's, Billerica, and St. John's, North Chelmsford.

The sermon will be preached by Rev. John B. Peterson, president of Brighton seminary, a celebrated preacher and scholar.

St. Peter's church adapts itself wonderfully to the decorations of Christmas and it makes a most beautiful picture with the festoons of laurel and holly wreaths that are hung everywhere, relieved with scarlet touches.

The special services were in keeping with the setting, all forming a celebration that was worthy of the time.

On Christmas day the solemn high mass at 11 was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Kerrigan, assisted by Rev. Fr. Stanton, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Joseph A. Curran, O.M.I., as sub-deacon.

On Saturday the masses will be at 5:30, 7 and 8 o'clock with a high mass at 9. Vesper services will be held in the evening and confessions will be heard Friday afternoon and night.

St. Peter's church maintains its reputation for beautiful and impressive services by the program for this season.

Once again the church was a beautiful picture of the time and the music was of the variety that has made St. Michael's notable.

On Christmas day there was a very large congregation.

The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. James F. Lynch, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Tattan as deacon and sub-deacon respectively.

Rev. Fr. Lynch spoke briefly, thanking the church for the hospitality.

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St. Michael's church was back for the first time in several weeks, and the sanctuary choir with its old-time vigor, and Rev. Fr. Flynn, O.M.I., who has just returned from a mission trip to the Orient, was present.

The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Wood, O.M.I., with Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I., and Rev. Fr. Gallagher, O.M.I., as deacon and sub-deacon respectively.

The pastor, Rev. T. Wade Smith, O.M.I., spoke briefly, thanking God for the many blessings of the past year and wishing happiness to the people of the parish.

Rev. Fr. Gallagher, O.M.I., preached the sermon.

Shortly after the torpedo was discharged two periscopes, one long and one short, appeared above the water within 400 feet of the steamer.

After the Yasaka Maru sank a conning tower was visible for a brief time at a point about a mile away.

The report describes the manner in which all on board the steamer entered the boats safely, this having been accomplished within ten minutes of the time the torpedo was discharged.

The captain caused the boats to be tied together. Sails were hoisted and, in accordance with a plan arranged previously by wireless, a southeasterly course was taken.

This was held until midnight, when the French gunboat which rescued the passengers and crew was met.

During the evening the periscope of the submarine reappeared only a few yards from the boats but the submarine itself was not visible.

According to a statement made by the U.S. Consul in the Yasaka Maru, there was on board the Yasaka Maru gold to the value of 1,000,000 yen (\$250,000).

As Germany has already given assurances that her submarine commanders were under instructions not to attack liners without warning, there was a disposition to believe the attacking boat was an Austrian. If that assumption proves true it is feared the situation over the sinking of the Italian liner Anconia will be further complicated and the diplomatic correspondence with Austria will be broadened to take in the general subject of attack without warning as it did in the last stages of the negotiations with Germany.

Unofficial reports of a favorable reply by the Vienna foreign office to the last Anconia note have served to alter the attitude of the state department in the Anconia case and there are direct indications that nothing but meeting the demands of the United States fully will leave diplomatic relations between the two countries unimpaired.

The word that the reply "will be

guided with concern for the good relations" between the two countries, officials take it means that Austria-Hungary probably expects more diplomatic correspondence on the subject.

The United States is disinclined to enter into any such negotiations.

Should it develop that an Austrian submarine torpedoed the Yasaka Maru without warning, the Vienna foreign office undoubtedly will be asked to disavow the act and to give assurances to govern future conduct of her submarine warfare.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS  
FASHION NOTES

## FOR WOMAN AND HOME

SOCIAL GOSSIP  
FEMININE LOR

## WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook uses stale bread to make a very delicious fruit charlotte. She cuts the bread into slices about a quarter of an inch thick, then into strips two inches wide. Then butter a mould, slip the slices into melted butter and arrange them about the bottom and sides of the mould, slightly overlapping. Put the center with apple sauce seasoned with butter and sugar, and put a teaspoon of jam in the center of this. Cover the top with strips of the bread and bake in a hot oven thirty minutes. Serve with a hard sauce. Any stewed fruit may be used.

For nice bread tart cut bread into circles about a quarter of an inch thick. Moisten with milk and spread over jam or preserve and place slices together like sandwiches. Put in a frying pan with a little butter and saute on both sides. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve very hot.

Cook has given me some good hints on the cleansing of furniture. Oiled and varnished woods should simply be wiped with a flannel cloth wrung out of warm water. Grained wood should be washed with cold tea. Grained wood may be washed in warm water with a few drops of ammonia.

To wash melting, cook says, wipe with a cloth wrung from salt and water. This will prevent it from turning yellow. Discolored spots on carpets can be frequently restored by rubbing with a sponge dipped in ammonia diluted with water. Smoked ceilings that have been blackened by a kerosene lamp may be restored with soda water. To wash windows take a little ammonia on a sponge, rub over the glass, touching every part of the pane, then rub briskly.

Some hints on cooking by cook: To turn jelly out of a mould without breaking, rub a little of the best olive oil on the shape before pouring in the jelly.

Always put a cauliflower in plain water so as to draw out any insects. If salt is used it simply kills the insects and leaves them in the vegetable.

Never put salt in soup when cooking until it has been thoroughly skinned as salt prevents the scum from rising.

## FRATERNITY PINS

New York Pawn Shops Offer Big Collection of Golden Trademarks

The college sophomore, his newly acquired Greek letter pin, proudly burning his breast with its brightness, and his hands itching to practise the secret grip with every unsuspecting passer-by, would do well to make a tour of inspection of the pawnshops along Park Row and the Bowery, New York. There will find the pin which he thought never budged from the ostentatious semi-concealment of the vest pocket tape vulgarly displayed to the public at large from the brilliantly lighted windows of the pawnbroker. And, to make the disillusionment complete, the pin too often has a price attached.

Such a tour, recently made, located over 60 pins displayed by avuncular establishments, which can be bought for a half or two-thirds of their original cost. Delta Upsilon and Alpha Delta Phi were close rivals for the honor of pawnbrokers' favorite. It being won by the former by a score of 10 to 8, while Beta Theta Pi came third with 7.

The best collection was found on Park Row, near the Brooklyn bridge. Here, marshaled in orderly ranks and file, could be seen in the insignia of many rivals of the college world. The big three, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi and Psi Upsilon, were all there, as well as the Tau Nu Theta, the famous sophomore secret society, and many others. A complete list includes Delta Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta, Theta Omega, Sigma Delta Kappa, Epsilon, Eta, Alpha Epsilon, Psi Upsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Tau Omega, Alpha Phi, and one each of Alpha Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta, girls' sororities.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon pin at this address was by far the most interesting, being of the design used a generation ago, and also having the word Yale in gold letters upon it. Besides these pins, there were several of the high school variety. A little farther up Park Row were to be seen a Delta Phi, a Beta Theta Phi and a Sigma Alpha Phi pin, as well as a Zeta Phi, and a jeweled Alpha Delta Phi pin marked 86.

Collecting of fraternity jewelry is not restricted to pawn shops alone. On Broadway, near 47th street, a curio shop displays pins of the Alpha Delta Phi, Phi Delta Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Alpha Phi and Delta Phi fraternities.

At all these establishments similar rules seem to prevail. The pins can be inspected at close range by stepping inside, but no visitors can remove a pin from its moorings, forceful expulsion invariably following such an attempt. The reason for this is that on the back of each pin is engraved the name of the original owner and the chapter to which he belonged.

At the pawnshop, however, a waiting list is kept, and as soon as a pin comes into its possession the proper person is notified and the pin promptly rescued from inlined hands. Not only are these signs of collegiate social dis-

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## WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

If turkey or chicken is rubbed inside with cut lemon it will make the meat white, juicy and tender.

To mend glassware cook says to take five parts of gelatine to one of a solution of acid chloride of lime. Cover the broken edges with this and press together, then place in direct sunlight. The mended article will not come apart even if washed in hot water, nor will the break show.

Casts of plaster of paris can be cleaned easily by melting some whiting in water, dissolving a little glass in warm water to prevent it from rubbing off and, after stirring well, apply with a soft camel's hair brush.

If your cut glass gets nicked on the edges take a sheet of emery cloth, fasten it rough side up on a flat surface and rub the tumbler with a rotary motion against the nicks until they are ground out.

When wishing to stir the beaten yolks of eggs into boiling custard or cream, says cook, beat a tablespoon of cold water with the yolks and it can be stirred in while the custard is boiling, and you will not have to set it back to cool.

When peeling potatoes that are in danger of falling to pieces if you use a fork, cook holds them in a piece of brown or oiled paper and they will not fall in pieces.

Quite a good cereal coffee may be made by mixing two parts of ground sweet corn with one part of ground chicory.

To remove spots from cloth, cook uses these remedies: If stain is fresh, turpentine, alcohol or naptha will help. If the stain is old and dry, one tried chloroform. Put the portion of fabric to be cleansed over several thicknesses of clean cloth before trying to clean it.

Sometimes gasoline leaves rings on cloth in which it has been used to remove a stain. This ring can be removed by holding over steam. If this does not remedy the difficulty the only thing to do is to dip the whole fabric in gasoline. Always use gasoline out of doors.

When cloth that has not been sponged is spotted from the rain spread a damp cloth over the wrong side of the material and iron it dry.

tion for sale, but Phi Beta Kappa keys, symbols of light and learning, may likewise be had for a dollar each.

How and where these golden trademarks come from is a mystery which the pawnbroker always refuse to divulge, applying vaguely but firmly, "Oh, they come to us every now and then. If you don't want to buy, get out."

## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Women chemists in Missouri number 55.

New Jersey has nearly 150,000 widows.

New York has a women's walking club.

Emma Destinn, the opera singer, is to become an American citizen.

Paris is to have a bronze bas-relief of Miss Clevell's execution.

Over 11,000 women are employed in the bakeries of the United States.

Serbia has over 2,000 women in the army who are fighting in the trenches.

Female clothing workers in Paris have been granted shorter working hours.

Austria is mobilizing its vast army of women workers for the munition factories.

Miss Berna Rudovic, a University of California freshman, lives on 15 cents a day.

American telephone operators answer calls two seconds quicker than their English sisters.

The eight-hour law for women in the District of Columbia has been upheld by the Court of Appeals.

The Women's Trade Union League of New York has asked for volunteers to investigate factory conditions.

Five French women employed as coquettresses in France have sold in a single year 16,632 copies of the Scripture.

As a memorial to her father, Mrs. Russell Sage has presented a college of agriculture to the Syracuse university.

Kansas has established an industrial commission to regulate hours, wages and conditions of work for women.

A Paris woman was recently wedded by proxy to a dead man, but the government will pay her a widow's pension, nevertheless.

A Florence Yorger, Philadelphia's only woman attorney, handles practically all the legal business of the Chinese in that city.

The textile industry in England is badly handicapped owing to the shortage in female workers, who have taken up other lines of work.

Miss Elsie Armes is the only woman to ever receive from the United States government a certificate of efficiency for mine rescue work.

Fourteen out of 86 directors of industrial schools in the United States are women and 45 out of the 200 schools of art in charge of women.

Governor Stanley, of Kentucky, has appointed Miss Minnie Maher as his private secretary. She is the first woman to hold such a position in that state.

Mme. Colinere, a young French woman, is the most accomplished wine taster in the world. She has an income of \$25,000 a year and is a teetotaler.

Japanese girls have worked in factories since the Russian war, when numerous manufacturing plants sprung up throughout the island. Weavers, dyers and spinners receive about 20 cents a day.

Mme. Bernhardt, the able French actress, has a cupboard in her boudoir filled with artificial legs, half the leg-takers in the world having loaded her with their wares. Mme. Bernhardt has nicknamed them all.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has been elected an honorary member of the president's class, '79, of Princeton. She is the second woman to receive such an honor, the other being Mrs. C. C. Cuyler, of New York.

## THE FRENCH MAID SAYS:

## MARIE ON CLEANING SPOTS

"Oh dear," sighed Marjorie, "I have spread some oil all over my best tablecloth and I don't know how to get it out. Can't you tell me of some way, Marie, so I can do it at once before it gets set?"

"I should try an absorbent first," advised Marie. "A little flour or cornstarch will do. Immediately over the oil will frequently absorb every trace of it. Such an absorbent should be spread over the spot and allowed to remain for several hours before it is brushed off. A warm iron, placed on a cloth over the powder and left until cold, will hasten on the process.

"If the stain remains after one or more applications of the absorbent, sponge with a solvent, may be necessary. This is advisable on woollen garments, for even when all grease is apparently removed, enough may remain to collect dirt and cause ugly spots to appear long after the original stain is forgotten."

"Many fabrics when wet with a cleanser show only the outline of the spot. To obviate the difficulty, blotting paper should be placed under the spot to be cleaned and a circle disagreeable odors."

## IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

## MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR EYEBROWS

If your eyebrows are so blonde and invisible that the face is given a peculiar appearance, or that you are made conspicuous, there is no harm in resorting to the eyebrow pencil for temporary purposes.

But remember, if you are blonde, you must tint your brows a light brown, not black. The black must be used only when the eyebrows are black or dark brown.

One thing you may overlook, perhaps, is the importance of keeping the eyebrows free from dandruff.

You cannot work any improvement in the brows until you have rid them of this condition. Dandruff is the result of uncleanness and when we wash our face we should be careful to wash the brows thoroughly as well.

The following French tonic is fine for the eyebrows: One ounce of yellow vaseline and eight drops each of oil of rosemary and oil of lavender.

After washing the face smooth the brows carefully with an eyebrow brush upon which a drop of the tonic has been placed. For scanty and uneven eyebrows the above

## YOUR BOYS AND GIRLS

School children rarely have time to reach home for the noonday meal, and in consequence eat a picked up lunch that is in no way calculated to give them the nourishment required at the time. On their return home, half finished, they immediately rush to the other extreme and eat much more than they require or than is good for them and probably in a few hours consume a hearty dinner.

The health of a child should come first in the care of the parent, even above the necessity of going to

school. School methods should, in some way, be made to fit the needs of children in this important particular, not only to prevent contracting the habit of overeating later in the day, but to allow for the provision of proper nourishment at the proper time.

Arrangements for the coming winter should consist of soft comforters and quilts, two being of lamb's wool covered with soft, silken material. The wool itself should be purchased in a large square, big

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enough for a full sized bed and then divided into four small comforters. There should be a crib mattress, a cover of rubber sheeting for this, two quilted bed pads and two rubber pads for use upon the lap, these latter to be disguised by some pretty white material edged with lace, so that the guest who holds the baby will not recognize the purpose of the pillow upon which the little one lies.

There should be half a dozen sheets for the tiny bed but no pillow. A big pillow may be provided for the go-cart and a small one, to be placed at the back or head when the baby is being given air. A coverlet for the child should also be made. An enameled bathtub for the daily bath and an enameled pitcher to contain water together with the usual quota of sponges, ivory comb, brush, powder box, talcum shaker, and soap holder, complete the outfit for baby's bath and his comfortable rest.

The other hand if the mother seems to be in good health, but the baby at six or seven months loses weight and his physical development is at a standstill, it is time he had other food.

It is very important to have a child's shoes fit perfectly. If too tight, they will be apt to rub and make the feet sore. If too tight, they will be equally uncomfortable. The stockings should also fit perfectly, otherwise they will rub the feet into blisters. If too short they will cause a blist.

You can make a pen from a small inexpensive kitchen table placed upside down on the floor. The four legs are wound about with small clothesline rope wrapped with strips of cotton flannel. These are tacked to the posts, likewise wrapped about half a foot apart. In the bottom of the pen is placed a thick quilt, drawn well over the sides to protect the baby's head from a bump against the boards should he topple over.

A pillow is placed at one side, ready for his occasional nap or his long after luncheon snooze. His toys are put in the pen within easy reach, but no cannot well sling them about.

When the baby vomits and

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## LOWELL DROPS TO SIXTH

The publication of the state census by the Bureau of Statistics shows that Lowell has dropped down to sixth place in the list of Massachusetts cities, with two or three cities at our heels. The situation is one that no thoughtful citizen can view with equanimity, and there is a lesson for Lowell to learn and learn very quickly. If we are not to drop away behind while cities with more progressive policies forge away ahead, leaving us in their wake.

Not so very long ago Lowell was the third city in Massachusetts, judged by the standard of population. Then Fall River crept up and went ahead; Cambridge was next. New Bedford has just done the same and now Lowell is sixth. Springfield is forging to the front rapidly in point of population, and if the city officials of Lowell and the citizens generally do not wake up and take prompt action, even Lawrence bids fair to lead us before long. It is not pleasant prospect and it is directly due to the short-sighted policies of those who refuse to give the city room to grow and grow right.

No other city of Massachusetts, with the exception of Cambridge, has a population as large as ours in so small an area. We cannot grow without immediate annexation, and it is a pity that our public officials have not learned the truth sooner. For years The Sun has been telling the people of this need, and short-sighted officials opposed annexation—sometimes because the suggestion came from The Sun. The folly of this is now evident, and all may see it who care to see it.

The Sun always has supported any suggestion for genuine, reform and progress, no matter by whom it has been suggested or agitated. The Sun will continue to support any project which in its opinion will benefit the city, and if this policy were more generally followed Lowell would not now be in the sixth place, with every possibility of a still lower place in the near future.

Lowell needs more territory and needs it badly. Under present conditions many of our people are forced to look for residences in Billerica and other towns or in the sand lots back of the Highlands, half an hour ride from Merrimack square. The annexation of Dracut would meet this emergency, for in Dracut our citizens would find most desirable residential sites within a short distance from the business centre of the city. The annexation of the greater part of Dracut, or the whole of Dracut, would give Lowell room to grow and it would prove a boon not only to the people of Lowell but to the people of Dracut who would then receive city service in all relating to public utilities. To be sure, the annexation of any territory would involve the spending of money, but if communities did nothing that would cost money we should have no cities of importance. All progressive cities have had to annex surrounding territory and while we are hesitating or listening to the pessimistic views of reactionary politicians, cities all around us are developing in area and in population.

A splendid New Year resolution for both Lowell and Dracut is to take it to work for annexation. It will have to be done some time, if we are going to keep our rightful place amid Massachusetts cities, and every day that it is delayed is injurious to the city's best interests. The people of Lowell should learn and take to heart the uncompromising lesson of the state statistics, and should agitate and support a movement for the annexation of Dracut which would benefit all and give the city the room that it badly needs for residential districts and for development in general.

It is up to the municipal council, the business leaders of Lowell, and to the men of public affairs of Dracut, to get together and talk this matter over. If they neglect to do it, there is no need of a bigger and buster city, for until we show intelligence and enterprise by annexing adjacent territory we shall continue to drop behind while less important cities forge ahead. If Lowell continues to ignore the need for annexation, the story of the next state census will be more discouraging than the present. Let our people face the truth and work together for the annexation of Dracut.

## THE DAVIS FUND

It is refreshing, though rather unusual, to read of a discussion of art and literature at a municipal council meeting, but such a discussion was held last Thursday. Incidentally the Davis fund was mentioned and there was a divergence of view, as to the propriety of using it for purchasing current fiction, as is now done. Mayor Murphy and Commissioner Carmichael evidently believe that the Davis fund should be used for the promotion of high literary and artistic ideals, but Commissioner Duncan thinks it serves a high purpose in supplying popular fiction to our reading public.

Even though in the opinion of Mr. Duncan, there is a great deal of philosophy and scientific knowledge in the ephemeral fiction that librarians

wounds and create faction and division. Of the others mentioned, some are too old, some are too partisan, some are not partisan enough, and none are so superlatively desirable as to get unified support. A want ad. in the leading republican papers might help some.

## IS KITCHENER OUT?

Quietly and without much ado England is making sweeping changes in the management of her domestic and foreign affairs, more especially in relation to the active conduct of war. Many unexpected reverses and a lack of initiative have aroused the people, and neither the personality nor the following of the leading men are permitted to stand in the way of the nation's progress. Kitchener seems to have come under the official ban so far as active management is concerned, and the control of the military forces of the empire has been transferred to Sir William Robertson, the imperial chief of staff, and a soldier whose rise has been phenomenal. Whether the change will mean a change in the fortunes of war remains to be seen, but England is determined to work for results, and neither rank nor experience will be permitted to balk the ambition of the nation. The war is showing England the need for national efficiency, and she is applying the lessons as each need comes up.

## DISAVOWS PLOTTER

Officials of the German government in this country will not find it easy to keep their embassy clear of suspicion regarding plots against the United States, for rightly or wrongly, the popular verdict will not be favorable to the higher officials when lesser officials are under the ban. Thus far, Count von Bernstorff has managed to get out of very tight places, and he certainly handles the difficult affairs of his office with skill and tact. As an instance in point is his prompt disavowal of Capt. Franz von Rintelen, a German in the tower of London who has been accused of having designs on American properties and institutions, and who apparently was well supplied with funds to carry out his plans. Despite the disavowal, it is not likely that U. S. authorities will relax their vigilance in finding the source of so much trouble, for some strong and rich organization must be behind the acts of individuals.

## THE STADIUM IDEA

The plan for a stadium at First street on the river bank, originated not with Mr. Robert Marden of the board of trade, as the Sun has stated, but with his brother, Philip Sanford Marden, editor of the Courier-Citizen. The Sun gladly gives credit where it is due, and hopes Mr. Marden will soon see the culmination of a scheme that would be of great benefit to the city. There seems to be no good reason why the project should not have the support of the board of trade, civic bodies in general and the great majority of the citizens. No strong argument has been advanced against it and there are many arguments to prove that it would be what it is intended to be—a municipal playground, both useful and ornamental.

## NOTE TO AUSTRIA

The most pointed, forceful and uncompromising note sent by the government of the United States to any belligerent power since the war started has just been sent to Austria. It is virtually an ultimatum, the direct cause of which was the sinking of the *Ancon* with its "wanton slaughter of defenseless non-combatants." The Austrian government is sharply reminded that the United States had before that time made its attitude plain to Germany, and it is intimated to Germany, and it is intimated that Austria should have observed the law of humanity which is the basis of the United States policy towards naval acts of the warring powers. Not being satisfied with protesting or asking that such acts be discontinued, our state department summons Austria to disavow the *Ancon*, to punish the commander who was guilty of carrying it out, and to indemnify the victims. It seems to be the opinion of Washington that a refusal of Austria to recognize the American point of view and to disavow the American demands would lead to a breach in diplomatic relations between the two governments.

The reply of Austria will be awaited with interest and some anxiety, as the tone of the note must show Austria plainly to what an unsatisfactory result may lead easily. This is a note that neither Germany nor Austria will be inclined to treat lightly.

## WANTED—GREAT REPUBLICAN

Republican leaders, or those of them who have no aspirations of their own, are beginning to get worried about the presidential situation. For many weeks the choice of a candidate for the nomination in 1916 has been discussed internally and to date material is surprisingly slight. Of the four or six men who have been getting most editorial notice, but few are without reproach, especially politically, and there few do not seem to like the prospect of being offered as a sacrifice on the altar of party. Justice Harlan's efforts to have eliminated himself for keeps, and he is being congratulated on his decision, and now ex-President Taft comes out to declare that even though his election were uncertain, he is through with active politics for good. There is a feeling here and there that Mr. Roosevelt would consider the nomination favorably, but the sentences say this would only open up

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## JUST LIKE A BOY

Really Robby and Elsie are the prettiest children in Boston. Their manners are beautiful.

One day they were told that they could have one each of the two apples on the table.

"Take your choice, Elsie," said Bobby, politely.

"No, Bobby," protested the little girl, "you must choose first."

For a few minutes it went on, each pressing the other to pick first. Then suddenly Elsie got tired of waiting and took the bigger apple.

Instantly Bobby's eyes blashed and he cried sternly:

"Put that one back and take your choice!"

## Something About Cooks

Cooks are what too many of spell the broth.

Cooks come and go a great deal, which gives rise to the well-known term, "Cook's Tours."

A chef is a cook that gets more than ten a week.

It is not safe to trust any person's unbiased judgment as to his or her own qualifications in the cooking line.

Your opinion after sampling the result may differ O so widely!

Many an individual who couldn't boil water without scorching it advertises himself as a first-class cook and, in some cases, gets away with it.

The only way in which such person makes good in the cooking line is when she grills the mistress after she has been canned.

Canned cooks are not the best, any more than canned food is the best.

There is likely to be some poison in the disposition of both.

Some of the best cooks have violent tempers that they could not govern, even if they tried.

But not all persons who do not govern their tempers are cooks.

We are not a good cook, but we are effective.

We were once very tired of a camping expedition on which we were, and we volunteered to do the cooking.

Next day camp broke up and all, who were able, went home.

Some of the best cooks won't do anything about a house except cook.

Some of the worst cooks don't do even that much.

There is no rule regarding cooks.

They are freaks of nature.

A good cook is born, not made.

Most of the cooks we have had were made.

The Merchant Prince

There was an old greaser and he had a lot of sense.

He started up a business on a dollar-a-centy cents.

The dollar for stock and the eighty for

Brought him three lovely dollars in a day, by dad!

Well, he bought more goods and a little more space,

And he played that system with a smile on his face.

The customers flock to his two-by-four.

And soon he had to hustle for a regular store.

Up on the square, where the people pass

He gobble up a corner that was all his.

He fixed up the windows with the best that he had.

And he told them all about it in a half-page ad.

He soon had 'em coming and he never quit.

And he couldn't cut down on his ads one bit.

Well, he kept things hopping in the town ever since.

And everybody calls him the Merchant Prince.

—Ford Times.

## The Old Dream

I sat that night in the lonely place.

And not the old Dream face to face;

The Night without fell dark and deep;

And the Wind just wouldn't go to sleep;

And the Fire was talking (the way you know).

It talked to a Dream of long ago.)

A lonely soul, in the lonely place.

I met the old Dream face to face.

And I said to the Dream: "Why haunt

Why haunt the way—

Why haunt the night through storm and night?

To wreath the brows of Winter white

With memories of lost delight?

Why come from the deep where Life laid you to sleep?

Since Night is a sign and Life wakes but to weep.

And there's never a rose for a love dream to reap?"

And the old Dream answered—and smiled through tears:

"I come to comfort the loveless years;

To share the roses that life once knew."

The flowers she kissed for love of you.

For the old and gray have but one way—

The dream of a love that made life's May."

And lives to the light of the Judgment Day."

So said the Dream in the lonely night.

And I dwell with the Dream, and Life is light!

Frank L. Stanton in the Atlanta Constitution.

—Atlanta Constitution.

"It does, sonny," said the mother, in a voice of ominous calm, as she reached for her supper. "It means that I know what beavers of that ap-

peal are up to."

—Atlanta Constitution.

# JOYOUS XMAS SERVICES LIFE AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Protestant Churches Observed Day With Special Music, Sermons and Christmas Trees

Christmas services in the Protestant churches attracted large congregations yesterday and the concerts held Saturday evening were well attended. The services yesterday included sermons breathing the spirit of the Christmas message and special musical programs. All of the churches were prettily decorated and there was the gladness and sunshine despite the very unfavorable condition of the weather.

#### Gorham Street Methodist

At the Gorham Street Methodist church Sunday there were special services in the morning with a concert by the members of the Sunday school in the evening. In the morning several of the old Christmas hymns were sung by the congregation and the pastor, Rev. Nathaniel W. Matthews spoke on "The Unspeakable Gift." He said that the gift of Christ to the world is such a wonderful thing that it has never been measured in its results, that it is unspeakable because of the source of it, and finally that we fail to appreciate the gift, through our human naivete, with any degree of reverence befitting it.

On Friday evening the Christmas tree was held and many presents were given away.

#### At Pawtucket Church

The Pawtucket church was prettily decorated for the Christmas services and a large congregation enjoyed the special musical program by the church choir. The solos were taken by Miss B. F. Hutchinson and Mrs. F. J. Keenan. The pastor, Rev. F. G. Alger gave a thoughtful address on the Christmas message. In the evening a Christmas concert was given by the Sunday school under the direction of Mr. Leonard M. Ryan.

#### Swedish Congregational Church

There was great activity at the Swedish Congregational church Saturday evening when the children of the Sunday school gathered about the big Christmas tree, laden with beautiful gifts for them. A large attendance enjoyed the concert by the children of the school. Birger Pettersson, superintendent of the Sunday school, had general charge.

#### At St. Anne's Church

There were two celebrations at St. Anne's church yesterday forenoon, one at 7:30 and the other at 10:30 o'clock. The sermon at 10:30 was by Rev. Arthur W. Shaw. In the evening there was a service for the church school, and a Christmas story was told by the rector, Rev. Appleton Grannis. The church was prettily decorated.

#### At Highland Church

The service at the Highland Congregational church Sunday evening was decidedly out of the ordinary, a fact due to the presence of Darius Cobb, artist, and Rev. C. F. Hill Crathern of Worcester. Mr. Cobb's masterpiece, a portrait of Christ, entitled "The Master" was placed upon the pulpit platform in a lighted frame, and it was concerning this portrait that both Mr. Cobb and Rev. Crathern spoke. The large congregation found the service a most helpful one.

#### Christmas Tree Exercises

The Sunday school Christmas tree exercises were held at the Westminster Presbyterian church, Tyler street, Saturday evening. The vestry was well filled and a very delightful program was carried out. The committee in charge of the program and decorations included Miss Anna Haggart, chairman; Edward Sanger, Alex. Ross, D. G. Common and Douglas McKinley.

#### Palace Street Church

The Sunday school Christmas exercises were held at the Paige Street Baptist church Sunday evening. The church was prettily decorated for the occasion and everything was in keeping with the Yuletide season. The program was a very elaborate one and was well carried out.

#### Swedish Lutheran Church

The Swedish Lutheran church presented a very pretty scene last evening when members and their friends gathered to hear the Christmas concert and to participate in the festivities connected with the distribution of presents from the two big Christmas trees. The services opened at 6:30 o'clock and there was a large attendance.

#### Eliot Church Children

The Sunday school Christmas concert at the Eliot church took place yesterday after the morning service. The program was a delightful one and was very well given. An offering was taken for Armenian relief, to be sent to Armenia through the American Red Cross.

#### Worthington Street Church

A very delightful Christmas concert was given by the members of the Worthington Street M. E. church Sunday school at the church yesterday afternoon. There was a large attendance and there were beautiful decorations in keeping with the Yuletide season.

#### Spirit of Christmas

At St. Paul's church yesterday carols were sung by adults and children's choirs and in the evening the pastor preached on the subject "What the True Lover Brought at Christmas Time." The services were thoroughly in spirit with the Christmas season and beautiful decorations were the order of the day. Saturday evening the Christmas tree and Sunday school exercises were held in the vestry.

#### First Presbyterian Church

The First Presbyterian church Sunday school gave a very fine Christmas program Saturday night and each member of the Sunday school received something pretty from Santa Claus. There were two huge trees laden with gifts and decorated to emphasize the Christmas idea. There was special music by the church choir.

#### Grace Universalist Church

Christmas exercises by the members of the Grace Universalist church Sunday school were held last evening and a splendid program was presented. The exercises were held in the auditorium, beginning at 6 o'clock and were in charge of the Sunday school superintendent, W. M. Sherwell.

#### First Unitarian Church

On Sunday morning, at the First Unitarian church, there was a Christ-

All in Readiness for the Bride—President Well Fixed—Veterans Becoming Fewer

mas service with a special musical program by the choir. The decorations were very pretty. The preacher was Rev. Alexander H. Bowes of Boston, who spoke on the Christmas theme. The Sunday school session was held in the auditorium, with Christmas songs and recitations by the children.

#### Services in Other Churches

Special services and Christmas concerts were also held in the following churches: Fifth Street Baptist, St. John's Episcopal, Swedish Methodist, Ministry-at-Large, First Universalist, and the French Baptist church. All of the churches were prettily decorated.

#### First Baptist Church

At the First Baptist church Sunday evening the pastor, Rev. A. C. Archibald, spoke on the second coming of Christ, when, how and where. He said in part:

"The career of Jesus, as related to mankind, is not yet over. Christ will return to this world in power and glory. I am speaking according to revelations in the word of God. The first coming of Christ was the foundation; his second coming will be the consummation. We would regard his first coming incomplete could we not look forward to his coming again in power and glory. "Note first, the surety of the promise of his second coming. In the new testament no less than 200 times we are promised that he will return. The Lord has declared that the time of his second coming will be when men lose heart and scoffers arise. In a day we think not, Christ shall come again. Upon this fact is built the whole foundation of our hope.

"In the second place, his coming will be visible to all eyes. We shall see him in person and rejoice in his power and glory. Christ will appear personally, not as force or a spirit.

"He will be the same Jesus of Galilee but marvellously changed. Christ, when he comes, will come gloriously with trumpets, clouds and a retinue of angels, with the power to cast out sin. Imagining a world without wickedness and you will have a faithful picture of the world as it will be at Christ's second coming.

"When shall these things be? How long, men ask. When shall Christ come for the second time? There is no more doubt about Christ's second coming than about his first. If he came once he can come again. But when shall he come? As suddenly as lightning out of heaven, say the ascriptions. Not even angels know the time.

"The annual report of the coastguard shows tremendous work done by that branch of the service during the past year. More than 1,000,000 people were rescued from actual drowning or from danger and assistance was rendered 1,500 vessels, in addition to miscellaneous duties by the life-saving crews and revenue cutter men who constitute the coast guard.

"The distinctive flag that is flown from the mast on all coast guard vessels was provided for in an act of congress in 1790. It is a picturesue flag with sixteen perpendicular stripes alternate red and white, the union of the ensign to be the arms of the United States in dark blue on a field of white" as described in announcing its authoritative use on that date. It

was arranged with historical detail, thirteen stars, thirteen stripes, thirteen leaves to the olive branch, thirteen arrows and thirteen bars to the shield all correspond to the thirteen original states constituting the Union at the time. There is a federal order that this flag shall be used on no other vessels than those of the coast guard service, under a heavy penalty, as it is a sign of the authority of the coast guard cutters. A flag somewhat similar is used on custom houses, but there are certain distinguishing marks on the coast guard flag, as used as a pennant, that are not permitted to appear elsewhere.

#### Veterans' Names Fewer

Each year the Congressional directory shows fewer names of men who have served in the Civil war. Years ago a very large per cent were veterans on either the Union or Confederate sides, but this year the names are fewer. Among those whose biographies show them to have been in the Union army are E. J. Hill of Connecticut, the noted expert on tariff; Gen. Isaac R. Sherrwood of Ohio—whose famous Sherwood pension bill has made him known throughout the country during the last sessions; and David A. Hollingsworth of Ohio. Representatives who were Confederate soldiers are Estophel of Louisiana; Talbot of Maryland, and Steedman of North Carolina. In the senate there is a larger percent of soldiers. Fighting in the northern army were Senators Works of California, DuPont of Delaware, Nelson of Minnesota, Gove of West Virginia and Warren of Wyoming. In the southern army were Senators Bankhead of Alabama, and Tillman of South Carolina. The Congressional directory showed some queer antics of politics in California. In the house three of its members describe themselves as republicans; three as democrats; one independent; two progressive; one progressive republican and one prohibitionist. A record for political variety unequalled by any other state.

They are telling a good story of the president who woke to find his wedding day opening with skies that pouted down rain with all the fury of a real tropical storm. The president made an early call on the bride of the day, and packed up and down the white house porch while waiting for his limousine regardless of the storm. His presidential lips were puckered up into a whistle, but one of the special guards remarked later in the day: "He don't seem to carry a tune very well—so we couldn't tell just what he was trying to whistle!"

RICHARDS.

#### AMUSEMENT NOTES

##### B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Cheaters," Homer Miles' latest comedy playlet, and a double-barreled hit everywhere it has been played, will be the feature act on the bill at the B. F. Keith theatre, this week. Presenting the hit will be Miss Bessie Rempel, assisted by J. M. Clayton & Co. Miss Rempel appeared two seasons ago with her sister, Harriet, and at that time the two young women gave the first two years of their lives to the stage. The characters in "Cheaters" are described in announcing its authoritative use on that date. It

was the close of the tenth century men supposed the end of the world

men to be at hand, just as many today

have likened the present war unto

Armageddon. There have been three

distinct periods in the world worse

than that of today.

"While waiting for Christ's second coming, men should not sit with folded hands but should prepare and fit themselves. It is more important to know what service we may render than to know the time."

There were good musical programs,

well rendered by a large vested choir

under the direction of Warren Cobb.

The solos were sustained by Mrs. W. H. Pepin, Miss Edna Craig and Mr. R. Galt. The pulpit platform was dec-

orated with Christmas trees, potted

plants and flowers.

## MUNICIPAL XMAS TREE

LARGE GATHERING ON SOUTH COMMON FRIDAY NIGHT—TREE WILL REMAIN TILL NEW YEAR

The tall, graceful and beautifully-lighted Christmas tree on the South common is proving a great attraction and when it first unfolded, its brilliancy on Christmas eve a great shout of joy went up from the thousands who had gathered to see the big tree and take in the concert in connection with it. The tree was lighted at 5 o'clock and at 8:45 a brief carol service took place. The main program was begun at 10:30 and lasted until a early hour on Christmas morning. It was Lowell's second municipal tree entertainment and the observance was a very successful one. Lowell people now look upon the Christmas tree as an annual institution of more than ordinary interest.

It was at a distance from the tree, perhaps, that one got the full benefit of the observance. The band stand was prettily lighted, too, and hanging about it were wreaths of laurel. It was here that the band of 40 pieces was stationed while hundred choristers occupied an improvised wooden stand nearby. In the early evening the singers of St. Anne's choir arrived in automobiles at the common and sang two carols. They were on the way to the Highland club.

In all the choral numbers the singers were unaccompanied by the band, until the climax of the observance was reached—the singing of "O Come, All Ye Faithful." The rest of the program was carried out as outlined in The Sun on Friday.

The Christmas tree will be lighted at sunset every evening up to and including New Year's eve, and will remain lighted all night.

#### SCHOONER REMAINED

ROCKPORT, Dec. 27.—The British schooner Mayflower, which was abandoned off the mouth of the harbor during the gale yesterday, rode out the storm and was re-manned today. Before going on board, her skipper, Capt. Masters, arranged to have her towed to Gloucester for necessary repairs. The Mayflower was bound from South Africa to St. John, N. B., with coal.

Money deposited in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank on or before Saturday, January 1st, will draw interest from that date.

#### BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The British steamer Hadley, 1,777 tons gross, has been sunk.

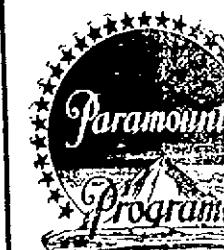
The British steamer Embla, 1,172 tons, has been beached at the mouth of the Thames, abreast forward.

The crews of both vessels were rescued.

Next week is "Quarter Week" at The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

"Rebecca of Sunnysbrook Farm"—that great New England play of tears and laughter by Rita Douglas Wiggin—will be presented by the Merrimack Players at the Merrimack all this week and this play is certain to break all records for big advance—sales of seats and to avoid disappointment, patrons should make reservations early. Next Saturday and Sunday evenings will be shown in any theatre in Lowell.

"Rebecca" will prove the most enjoyable treat of the whole season as the management has spared no expense to make the production one that will linger long in the memories of the playgoers. For



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Merrimack Sq. Theatre

MON.—TUES.—WED.

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The Celebrated Actress,

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AND

ALBERT CHEVALIER

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FLORENCE TURNER

IN

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LADIES—You should see the best dressed woman in the world—VALESKA SURATT.

Everybody knows MISS FLOR- ENCE TURNER. She is sup- porting ALBERT CHEVALIER in "MY OLD DUTCH."

It is interesting to note that, at the time of the first presentation of the play in New York 30 years ago, A. C. Wheeler, dramatic critic of the *New York Tribune*, wrote:

"Paramount pictures have roamed the world and here could not have got a theme that would touch so many American hearts as 'The Old Homestead.' No one even of the third or fourth generation will fail to feel its charm and recognize its Gayle truth."

NEXT SUNDAY, JAN. 2.

Marguerite Clark will present "SUN Waters" in Five Acts.

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# CHRISTMAS TO CHILDREN

Festivities of Season at Orphanages and Institutions Through Kindness of Friends

Christmas cheer was made available in no stinted measure at the various orphanages, homes and institutions through the good will of many kind friends. It is safe to say that never before was the Christmas festival the occasion of so much joy and such liberal generosity as was experienced by the orphanages and homes for children in their celebration of the feast.

Before Christmas some of the larger children said: "There ain't no Santa Claus." Now both big and little are convinced that there is a "Santy" and that he is getting better as he grows older. He certainly forgot nobody this trip.

#### St. Peter's Orphanage

Great Yuletide spirit prevailed among the children at St. Peter's orphanage Christmas day, and of course there was a reason for the little ones were given a real treat in the form of a turkey dinner and Christmas tree exercises.

As usual the day was ushered in with a mass in the morning, the service being held in the chapel of the institution. All the children of the home as well as the kind sisters in charge were in attendance and during the service a special musical program was given by the attendants of the home. A short instruction on the significance of the day was delivered by the officiating clergyman, and the rest of the forenoon was devoted to home games.

At noon the children were served a very appetizing turkey dinner and it is fair to assume that it was en-

## AROUND CHRISTMAS TREE

GERMANS ASSEMBLE DURING LULL IN HOSTILITIES AND SING AND COMMENT



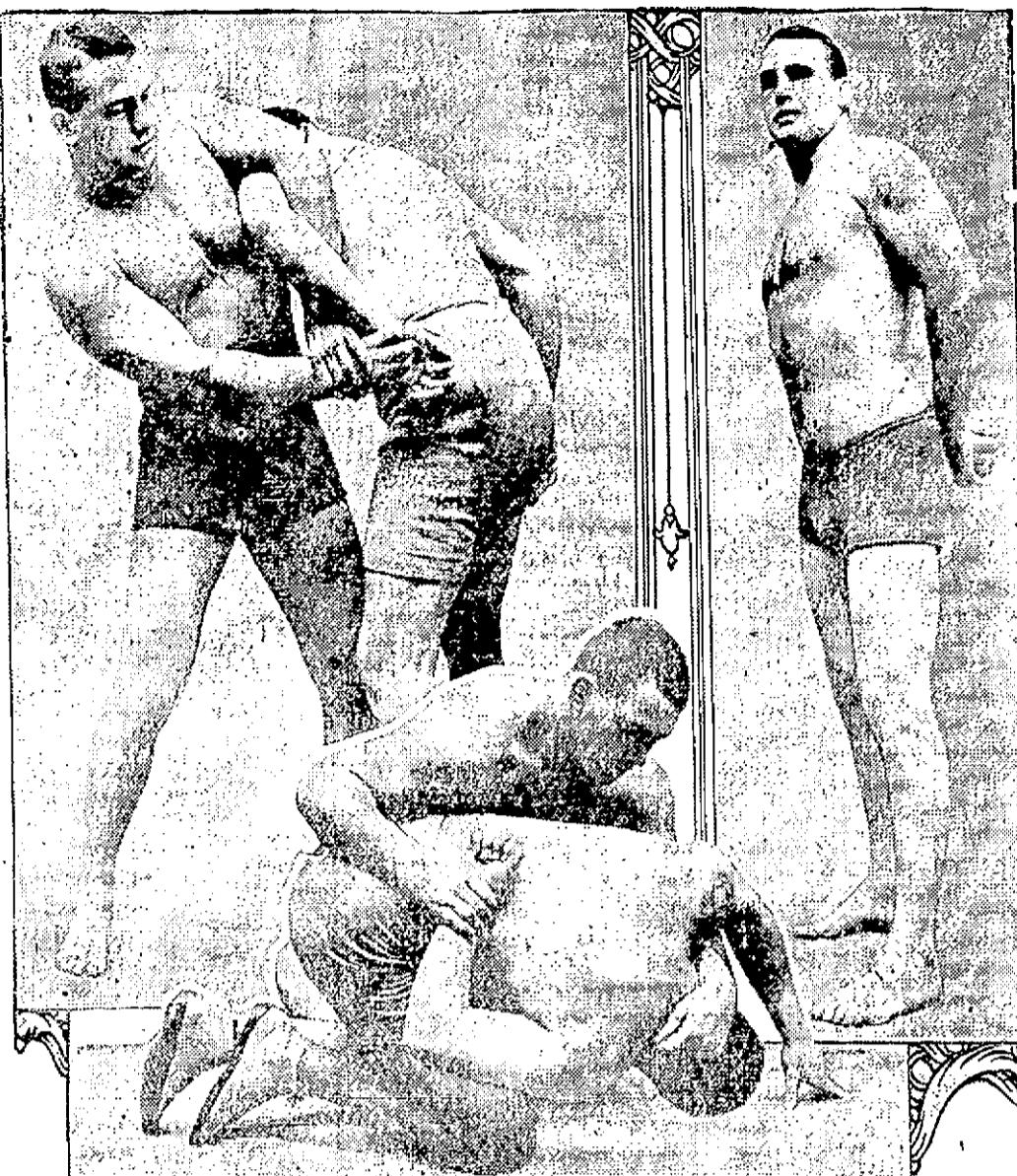
GERMAN SOLDIERS' CHRISTMAS TREE  
Germans being the fathers of the Christmas tree, they do not forget it even when fighting. Whenever the attacks of the enemy permit, they set up the beautiful "Weihnachtsbaum" and assemble about it with song and comment that brings tears to the eyes of men parted from their homes in the fatherland.

## VARNA, RUSSIAN OBJECTIVE, BASE FOR ATTACK ON TEUTON-TURKISH LINE



Varna, reported to have been attacked and also reported to have been captured by a Russian force operating from Russia's Black sea ports, is Bulgaria's principal port on the Black sea. Any considerable Russian force with a base at Varna could be a serious menace to Teuton-Turkish control of the great Berlin-Vienna-Sofia-Constantinople railroad line. The opening of this line was a major objective of the Teuton-Bulgarian conquest of Serbia.

## STRANGLER LEWIS IS THE LATEST SENSATION IN THE GRAPPLING WORLD



STRANGLER LEWIS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Since the retirement of Frank Gotch, the world's champion wrestler, many grapplers have come here from foreign shores with such phenomenal records that the crown of champion would eventually be shifted to one of these European stars. Lately, however, the remarkable work of two young Yankee mat artists has been of such high caliber as to warrant the belief of many prominent American sportsmen that the crown of champion will be continued to be worn by one of our boys. The stars and superstars will pit their hopes in Joe Stecher of Nebraska and Robert Fredericks, better known as Strangler Lewis.

At noon the inmates of the institution were treated to a fine turkey dinner with all the accompaniments. In the evening pie and peaches were served in addition to the usual edibles. In the morning mass was celebrated by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I. and during the service a musical program was rendered by a specially organized choir. For the benefit of those who were unable to attend divine service, the singers went through the various wards of the hospital singing Christmas carols, much to the delight of the sick and invalids.

State Infirmary  
Over 2700 pounds of turkey was distributed at the state infirmary in Tewksbury on Christmas day, while numerous Christmas trees well laden with good things which had been placed in the various buildings, were stripped of their contents, each inmate and employee being the recipient of presents.

The dinner was served at noon and during the repast an Italian orchestra from Boston supplied music aiding materially to the cheerfulness of the day. In the evening the employees enjoyed dancing in the assembly hall, while concert numbers were given through the various buildings.

Lowell Guild  
The Lowell Guild observed Christmas by distributing baskets filled with

turkeys, chickens, vegetables and other edibles, while packages containing toys and useful articles were also distributed among the needy. In order to facilitate the work automobiles have been placed at the disposal of those in charge of the distribution and their trip through the city proved most pleasing.

#### Fremen

Headed by Thomas Welch of Hove, the local firemen did a charity act

on Christmas day, which will long remain in the minds of the public at large, but particularly of those who were remembered. The firemen delivered 54 large baskets well filled with food of all description, each needy family receiving enough for a good dinner, the distribution being made according to the number of members in each family. It is believed that the Christmas distribution of food under the auspices of the firemen will hereafter be an annual event.

#### French-American Orphanage

Through the untiring efforts of Mrs. Helen Caisse, wife of Dr. George E. Caisse, the 300 or more boys and girls of the French-American orphanage were again made happy on Christmas day, when they were supplied with toys, wearing apparel and goodies, the occasion being the eighth annual Christmas day exercises conducted by Mrs. Caisse. The event was attended by all the children, the sisters in charge of the home and a few invited guests including Rev. J. H. Racette, O.M.I., Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I., Rev. Antoine Amyot, O. M. I., Dr. G. E. Caisse and others.

The exercises were held in the afternoon and when the little boys and girls were escorted into the large assembly hall, where two large Christmas trees well laden with toys and other pleasant things had been artistically arranged, many a tiny heart thumped. Before the trees were stripped of their many things, the best talent of the home under the direction of the sisters gave a delightful entertainment, the program consisting of the singing of Christmas carols, hymns and recitations. Each number was well rendered and well greeted by the audience.

Shortly after 2 o'clock Rev. Dr. J. H. Racette, O.M.I. acting as Santa Claus, and being assisted by Dr. and Mrs. Caisse, stripped the trees and presented to each child numerous gifts, which included toys of all descriptions, wearing articles and goodies such as Christmas candy, fruit, ice cream and cake, and the adults present enjoyed a half-hour of pleasure at seeing the little ones happy, that they will not soon forget.

Following the presentation of the gifts Master A. Jatras, aged 12 years, read an address of thanks in behalf of the children of the home to Mrs. Caisse and all the benefactors of the orphanage. This afternoon's program closed with solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament in the chapel, with singing by the boys and girls.

The exercises were made possible again this year through the energetic efforts of Mrs. Caisse who a short time ago conducted a very successful cake sale at the A. G. Pollard's store. The amount netted at the sale, however, was not sufficient to cover all the expenses and at the request of the organizer kind subscribers helped to make the little orphans happy. And Mrs. Caisse wishes to take this occasion to extend her heartfelt thanks to all who helped in making the event one of the most successful

COLONEL E. M. HOUSE

That President Wilson is sending Colonel E. M. House to Europe to be on the ground when the time for peace negotiations comes is a report that went the rounds in Washington. From various sources diplomatic and other, the American government has been informed that in six months' time the peace movement in Europe will have gained sufficient momentum. At that time, according to a belief entertained in administration circles, the present military deadlock existing on all the fronts will have been emphasized and the time beyond peradventure to make a decision. It will then be reached only by means of fighting and a tremendous cost of lives and money. All the belligerents, it is believed, will be in a frame of mind to accept even a temporary peace. Colonel House, it is understood, will be then in a position to act as agent of President Wilson as a mediator and conciliator for the belligerent nations.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

## ADMIRAL DEWEY IS 78

CELEBRATED HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY YESTERDAY—IN FINE HEALTH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Admiral George Dewey of the United States navy celebrated his 78th birthday yesterday. He received several letters and telegrams congratulating him on the state of his health at such a ripe age. No party or other outward demonstration of the occasion was given. The admiral and Mrs. Dewey remained at their home on K street until late yesterday afternoon and then took their daily ride in the open air.

There has been very little change in Admiral Dewey's general appearance for a decade or longer. His figure is erect, his eye clear and his face ruddy. His habits are regular and buttermilk keeps him fit and fine.

On week days Admiral Dewey rises promptly at 4 o'clock, reads the papers, eats breakfast and goes early to work. In the afternoon he takes a ride, generally in an open victoria.

Among those who called at the Dewey home yesterday to pay their respects were Secretary and Mrs. Daniels.

"The admiral is looking well and is in excellent spirits," said Mr. Daniels last night. "He received many telegrams yesterday from friends of his school and college days and later and more serious years."

Saturday, January 1st, is "Quarter Day" at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

## MORE SALARY INCREASES

CLOSE OF YEAR HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF AT CITY HALL—SAME OLD STORY

About this time two years ago the newspapers were making considerable comment on the fact that the returning members of the city council were increasing salaries among some of the high-priced clerks at city hall.

It would now appear that history is repeating itself for Mayor Murphy has raised a clerk who received \$12 per week under former Mayor O'Donnell, to \$1000 per year, while in the water department, a clerk has been raised from \$1200 per year to \$1500 or more than the aggregate raises made by former Commissioner Barrett, about which there was so much comment.

#### LOAN OF \$300,000,000

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce, intimated in an address at the People's Forum last night that a Canadian domestic loan of \$300,000,000 might soon follow the recent issue of \$100,000,000.

#### J. ANTHONY SMYTHE

Popular Actor Sends Christmas Greeting to Lowell Friends Through The Sun

The Sun is in receipt of the following telegram from Mr. J. Anthony Smythe, the popular actor, formerly of this city:

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 24, 1915.

Editor Lowell Sun:

Through you I wish a merry Christmas to my Lowell friends.

J. Anthony Smythe, American Theatre, Spokane, Wash.

## MRS. WALTER FARWELL

WIFE OF CHICAGO NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENT, CALLED "CITY'S FAIREST," WELL



When the capture of the Serbian city of Monastir by the Bulgarians broke communications with that place tears were expressed for the safety of Americans engaged in Red Cross work and other activities. Among them were Mrs. Walter Farwell, wife of newspaper correspondent of Chicago, and Dr. Forbes of the Red Cross. Mrs. Farwell and Dr. Forbes were not allowed to leave Monastir for Greece, and it is reported that they and the American flag were grossly insulted. The matter has been referred to the American government. Mrs. Farwell is very well known in Chicago. She is the daughter-in-law of a United States senator, and she has been called the most beautiful woman of Chicago. Latter reports called her safe in Monastir.

## ST. ANNE'S CHIMES

CAROL SINGERS GATHERED WITH PORTABLE ORGAN TO HAIL THIS CHRISTMAS MORN

The mild weather, Friday night, was particularly favorable to the carrying out of the program at St. Anne's church which consisted of carol singing in the porch, a custom which has been in vogue for three years and one that's greatly appreciated. When the chimes rang out the well known Christmas hymns the crowd began to gather and before the boys had taken their position in the porch there were hundreds waiting to hear them. The carol singers were accompanied by a portable organ and a cornet.

## VIEWS OF PACKEY M'FARLAND, WHO IS OUT TO WIN THE WELTERWEIGHT TITLE



CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Packey McFarland, the stockyards champion, who retired from the ring after his bout with Mike Gibbons at Brighton Beach last summer, recently announced he would re-enter the ring for more fame and money. Packey says he is out to win the welterweight championship and would like nothing better than to meet the winner of the Ritchie-Lewis battle in New York. McFarland claims he feels better than he ever did and believes he can defeat any man of his weight in the world.

# THOMAS STOPS WALSH PANAMA CANAL

LOCAL BOY TOOK LACING AT HANDS OF LAWRENCE BOXER CHRISTMAS DAY

Young Walsh of this city proved a failure in his attempt to "comeback" against Kid Thomas of Lawrence at Lawrence Christmas afternoon. Walsh was beaten from the start, and his finish being only a matter of time and Jimmy Mahan made the right move when he teased in the sponge as a token of defeat.

Walsh started the first at a terrific clip, but could not penetrate Thomas' defense. At the close of the first session the local batter succeeded in landing a wild right to Thomas' head, but the bell rang before any further damage was done.

Thomas kept up his jabbing tactics, making Walsh's face crimson from the effects of the bombardment. Walsh was very wild, having no direction to his punches, while Thomas was cool and deliberate in his movements. The third round was a hard one for Walsh; he was battered from post to post until the sponge was thrown in.

In the main bout, Larry Burns was knocked out after nine rounds of fighting by Pete Hartley of New York. Hartley was the aggressor in every round, sending both hands to Burns' head and body. Burns sent Hartley down for a short count in the second round; it was not a clean knockdown, being mostly a push. The third round was quiet, neither boxer exerting himself, but the fourth was a hummer, both men standing toe to toe, swapping punches. There was hard jolting galore in this frame with Hartley showing in front. Hartley punished Burns badly in the fifth, sending the Lawrence boy to the canvas for the count of eight; the bell saved Larry from a knockout in this round. The sixth round was also a nightmare to Burns, as he again went to the canvas from the force of Hartley's blows.

The seventh and eighth rounds went to Hartley by a wide margin, and Burns was content to clinch at every opportunity. In the ninth and final round, it appeared as though only a miracle could save Burns from the hard whipping he received. About twenty seconds before the round was completed, Hartley sent over a fusilade of blows and Larry went to the floor a beaten man, and before Sullivan waved Hartley to his corner a winner.

## BASKETBALL COMMENT

Maynard here tomorrow night.

Mulvaney did not play in the game against Fitchburg, Christmas eve.

Jack Laessie will make his first appearance here tomorrow night with the Maynard contingent. It is quite likely that he and his brother Leo will be assigned to play against each other.

The first period of the Lowell-Fitchburg game went over 25 minutes as a result of no timer and the overtime contributed to Lowell's defeat. Fitchburg scored a large number of points in the last 10 minutes of the first session.

Fitchburg defeated Lowell in their second meeting in the Central Massachusetts Basketball league last Friday night by a score of 51 to 32. The game was played in the Fitchburg armory before a large attendance. Lowell showed poor teamwork in the first and second periods while Fitchburg displayed stellar passwork ability. Amlett and Garland did the best shooting for the winning combination and Murphy played a good defensive game. Clark and Fallanshaw starred for Lowell, the former getting the most baskets for the local quintet. Frank McPherson was taken out at the end of the second period and his place was taken by Manager Lew.

MBford Leads League

Company M, Milford, leads in the Central Massachusetts Basket Ball League by a margin of one game over the Marlboro, T. D. and the Alhambra K. of C. of Worcester, which are tied for second place. The fight for individual honors shows Finn of the Marlboro T. D. quintet leading by 34 points over Hanlon of the Alhambra team.

**DEFINITION OF AMATEUR**

GAMES Points

W. L. P. C. sed op's	56	563	556	
Co. M. Milford	13	2	867	558
Marlboro T. D.	13	3	813	625
Alhambra K. of C.	13	3	813	622
Lowell	4	1	364	259
W. D. Fitchburg	3	2	411	273
Marlboro	1	12	200	231
Holliston	3	12	200	231
Maynard	3	8	200	270
Total	56	563	556	

Ten highest scores—Finn, Marlboro, 158; Hanlon, Alhambra, 124; Costello, Marlboro, 112; Finnegan, Alhambra, 112; Leland, Holliston, 16; Holly, Alhambra, 102; Kenny, Milford, 35; Alhambra, Milford, 30; Amlett, Fitchburg, 28; Snow, Marlboro, 32.

**ON THE ALLEYS**

The annual Christmas contest between the Married Men and Single Men was held on the alleys Saturday. The teams are made up of the best players of the year and the contest is as a general rule a red hot one. The first strike resulted in a tie but after that the Single Men forced to the front and won by a wide margin. Kelley of the winning team was high man.

The Beaver A. C. Browns and Beaver A. C. Whites played a good game, the latter team winning three of the four points. There were several other games of interest played the scores:

Married Men—Conn, 201; Curry, 200; Donohoe, 222; Lebrun, 258; Jewell, 266; total, 1455.

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## 1088 Ships Go Through—Detailed Account of Operations

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—A detailed account of the operation and maintenance of the Panama canal during the first 10-1/2 months after its opening to commerce in August, 1914, is given in the annual report of Governor Goethals of the canal zone, made public last night. Final construction work just prior to the canal's opening was described in the report, which ends in the fiscal year ending Dec. 30 last, prior to the earth slide which blocked the channel.

Between Aug. 15, 1914, and June 30, 1915, 530 vessels, representing a Panamanian canal tonnage of 1,884,728 and cargo tonnage of 2,125,735 were passed through from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and 558 vessels, representing a Panamanian canal tonnage of 1,938,307 and a cargo tonnage of 2,844,957, from the Pacific to the Atlantic, making a total of 1683 vessels with a net canal tonnage of 3,843,035 and a cargo tonnage of 4,950,732. During this period three minor slides interrupted traffic, the channel being closed from Oct. 14 to 20 and Oct. 31 to Nov. 4, 1914, and March 4 to 10, 1915.

Construction of the canal proper, except for dredging excavation and construction of the east breakwater at Colon, was virtually completed prior to this fiscal year. In the old Culebra cut, renamed the Galliard cut, there were removed, in the process of construction, during the year, 1,389,617 cubic yards at an average of approximately 42'-4" a yard. In maintaining the channel—including removal of earth deposited by slides—there were taken from Galliard cut 1,710,566 cubic yards at a cost of 342-3 cents a yard and from the channel at the Atlantic entrance 1,233,330 cubic yards at a cost of 10-1/2 cents a yard.

"Cucaracha slide," the report says, "was very active from July to October, 1914, quiet during the dry season, and active again with the beginning of the rainy season in April. On the west side of Culebra the slide showed little activity through the greater part of the year, but in June, 1915, the general movement of the bank was noticeable, and it was estimated that 5,000,000 cubic yards of material were in motion on June 30, 1915, on the west side. It is estimated that about 4,000,000 cubic yards will have to be removed from the east side."

Of the \$324,390,149 appropriated by Congress to June 30, last, the report states that \$14,659,572 has been spent on fortifications; \$75,000 to cover three annual payments to the republic of Panama; \$6,410,000 for the operation of the civil government of the canal zone, for the fiscal year 1915; \$1,289,152 for the operation and maintenance of the canal to the end of the fiscal year 1915; while stock on hand aggregated \$22,255, amounting \$365,930,116 appropriated for the actual construction of the canal and its adjuncts.

Two million dollars of this was invested in collars, and \$6,563,077 was returned to the treasury department up to the close of the fiscal year 1915 as miscellaneous receipts, leaving \$357,436,015 as the net amount expended for the canal, including the amount available for work still in progress. A dry dock, two coaling stations and temporary piers, not included in these figures, are yet to be constructed.

Health conditions in the canal zone, the report says, were very good during the year. The total death rate from disease was reduced from 14.46 in 1914 to 11.77 in 1915. Victims of malaria, the principal cause of disability, were reduced 20 per cent. in number and the death rate 32 per cent. in the year. The admission rate to hospitals from typhoid was reduced more than 76 per cent. from 45.9 per cent. and the death rate from pneumonia was reduced more than 30 per cent.

Labor conditions were excellent.

More than 6000 men were given transportation home because they could not be used.

## KING PETER IN ITALY

### SERBIAN RULER ARRIVED AT BRINDISI ON BOARD ITALIAN CRUISER

BRINDISI, Italy, Dec. 26, via Paris, Dec. 27, 6 a. m.—King Peter of Serbia has arrived here on board an Italian cruiser.

The sovereign had refused resolutely until now to leave his army and it was only at the urgent entreaty of his son, the prince regent, that he at last agreed to go into exile.

The prince pointed out to his father that it would be better for him to preserve his strength so that he would be able after his health had been restored to return to his country at the head of a reorganized army.

A Rome despatch on Dec. 16 said King Peter had accepted Italy's offer of a palace for his use at Caserta, near Naples, but it was reported that the aged ruler had declared he was determined to die among his own people and not to abandon his army. The king has been seriously ill for months but frequently was on the firing line with the Serbian troops before they were overwhelmed by Austro-Germans and Bulgars.

**TRAGIC SPECTACLE**

PARIS, Dec. 27, 5 a. m.—"King Peter of Serbia, was brought from Durazzo to Avlona on an Italian cruiser," says the Journal's Avlona correspondent. "The voyage was rough and the king had to be carried ashore in an arm chair. It was a tragic and heartrending spectacle.

"An automobile carried the monarch to a secluded inn opposite Italian headquarters where I called upon him and was shown into the poorly furnished room he occupied.

"It's clear eyes, what depths of bitterness did they conceal! His features, hollowed by suffering, what immense weariness did they betray! That sorrowful countenance was the epitome of the whole tragic epoch.

"The physician who interpreted for me told me that upon his arrival the king asked the price of the room and added that he had no gold to pay for it. 'I am no longer king' he said. 'I am only General Tocantin, this name which will shelter his incognito during his exile, is that of a powerful family of Tirana to which Essad Pasha belongs.' I give no more orders. It is the crown prince who commands. For the future I am nothing in the government. A soldier, I have only to obey."

"And the army your majesty?" I asked.

"My soldiers are dropping from hunger and weariness. We must feed them and then after a few weeks rest we shall see!"

"What are your own plans, sir?"

"I want to go to Saloni to see my minister of war. If this is possible I shall arrange something. I have got to live to see victory for my people and the triumph of our just cause."

At the hospital this noon it was reported that Gourlak was lying between life and death. The police were informed that his recovery is not expected.

**Neighborhood Frauds**

A neighborhood row which extended over a lengthy period and had its climax on Dec. 11, was responsible for the presence of Fred Peters in police court today charged with assault and battery on James J. Keith. Edward J. Tierney appeared for the government and William H. Wilson represented the defendant.

The parties concerned were neighbors for several years, living almost side by side on Third street, the Keiths moving away recently on account of the trouble. About noon on Saturday, Dec. 11, James Keith, aged 16 years, his brother, Archie, and two other boys were walking past the defendant's house at 255 Third street. The defendant's children were playing in the yard and being aware of the family, they rushed into the house when the Keiths were in sight. A few minutes after they disappeared the father came out and talked to Archie, claiming that he insulted his Peter's wife and children. What happened from then on is indefinite, each side relating a different story.

The defendant claims that James, the complainant, came up behind him and threatened to shoot him with a gun which he carried. James testified that he told Peters not to scold his brother and when Peters hit him he lifted the gun to protect himself. He had no intention of shooting, he said.

Mr. Peters then struggled to take the gun away from the boy and is claimed the defendant's dog participated by grabbing James' coat. Patrolman Clemmons and two neighbors testified that the boys caused considerable trouble in that section and that the Peters family is quiet and peaceful.

James Peters showed that he had a hunter's license issued in October last when he was but 15 years of age and had a right to carry a gun.

The court found Peters guilty of the assault but stated that he believed there were extenuating circumstances. He imposed a fine of five dollars and told the man to complain at the station if any more trouble arises.

**Drunks Numerous**

Seldom if ever have so many drunks been seen on the streets of Lowell as yesterday and Saturday afternoon. They were in evidence at every few yards from Merrimack square to the Middlesex street depot and nearly all young men.

Nineteen drunks were gathered in over the holidays. Frank P. Donahue made his sixth bow within a year and was sentenced to four months in the house of correction. Fifteen first offenders were released and three small fines were imposed.

**DR. WARD COMING**

The Brotherhood of the Centralville M. E. church has been very fortunate in securing as a speaker for Wednesday evening, Dec. 29, Dr. Harry F. Ward, who will take for his subject "The Human Element in Industry."

Dr. Ward is a member of the committee on social service of the Federated Churches of America and is also chairman of the commission on social service of the M. E. church. He is a Ford Hall speaker of popularity.

Wednesday evening's meeting will be free to all men and women as long as the space lasts. Prior to the lecture an organ recital of 30 minutes will be given by R. M. Fox, and following the lecture an open forum for questions on the statement which is as follows:

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Plaintiff in Chancery, December 22, 1915. (U. S. C. 923)

**EXTENSION TELEPHONES**

Chapter 12, the Resolves of 1915 provide for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the expediency of legislation relative to extension telephones and to telephone charges.

It is ordered that the Public Service Commission is hereby directed to investigate the expediency of enacting legislation relative to extension telephones and to telephone charges in certain cases, substantially as set forth in the Senate document number eighty-eight, the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. The Commission is to report the result of its investigation to the general court as soon as is practicable.

Upon the foregoing resolve the commission will hold

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## HEAVY DAMAGE BY STORM

### 10 Deaths in New York State and New England—Wires and Trees Razed, Houses Unroofed

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Northern and eastern New York and New England are slowly recovering today from the damage inflicted from yesterday's storm. A succession of rain, snow, lightning, sleet and thunder, winding up with a gale that tore down wires and trees, unroofed houses and drove shipping ashore, caused widespread damage and many deaths and accidents.

Telegraphic communication in some sections was still interrupted today owing to the leveling of telegraph poles by the high wind. In a similar manner the signal systems of railroad lines running north and northeast from New York were crippled and trains were not able to maintain their schedules.

New England suffered more severely than New York city and reports from there told of severe damage to buildings and vessels caught in the path of the gale. The snow-fall, except in northern New England and northern New York, was comparatively light, but sufficient to interrupt suburban street car service.

Eight deaths in this city were directly or indirectly attributed to the storm. The wind here at one time attained a velocity of 90 miles an hour.

#### COASTER A WRECK

Pell Mell Railway at Revere Blown Over—Caretaker, His Wife and Baby Narrowly Escape

REVERE, Dec. 27.—The Pell Mell Coaster, formerly the Musical Railway, one of the largest amusement structures at Revere beach was demolished in the gale yesterday afternoon. After 300 feet of the trestle-like structure, which at the highest point was about 70 feet up, went over.

The building is west of Baker ave. and close to the tracks of the Narrow Gage railroad at Bath House station. The top of the run was capped with a small square roof which was carried across the street and landed on the roof of the house at 129 Baker avenue. Timbers crashed through the front of the house and struck Mrs. Morris Smoker, who with her three children were in the front room on the first floor. Mrs. Smoker's left arm was crushed and she was injured internally. The top floor of the house is occupied by the family of Harry Kempton, but they were all away.

The wreckage filled Baker avenue for 200 feet. Some of the timbers struck the three-flat house of Stetzen Gaal, 135 Baker avenue. The front porch was damaged.

Under the center of the railway was a small cottage occupied by Charles Macleau, a caretaker. Mr. Macleau with his wife and baby were eating dinner and their escape from death was very narrow. The cottage was demolished.

The railway structure is owned by the Park Amusement company of Springfield, and was valued at \$10,000.

## BIG CHRISTMAS BUSINESS

THE VOLUME DONE IN STORES SURPASSED THAT OF ANY CHRISTMAS IN LOWELL

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Everything in the shape of a street car was utilized by the street railway company and it was impossible to keep to the schedules in all cases. Yet, although it was one of the heaviest days in the history of the company, no mishaps were reported, and aggravating delays from split switches and blown-out fuses were comparatively few.

The volume of business done by the local merchants this Christmas was far the greatest in the history of the city. For at least one solid week there was a steady stream of people passing through the stores and according to the merchants they spent their money liberally.

During the past few years the people have been educated to do their shopping early and a great many did so; but there are other thousands who wait until the last week and hundreds who put off making purchases until the last day. The Christmas shopping started in earnest about two weeks before Christmas, but the heavy down-pour of rain one week ago Saturday put a damper on the business for people who were not obliged to leave the house on that day stayed in.

The weather during Christmas week, however, was favorable for shopping and every day and until late at night the stores were kept busy. Scores of extra clerks were engaged during Christmas week in the department stores and additional help was secured by the proprietors of smaller stores. It was indeed a hard week on the lady clerks, especially those who told Christmas specialties, and many of the young ladies were glad when ten o'clock came Friday night.

In some of the down town stores the rush was so great that the clerks were provided supper by the owner of the store. The clerks in J. J. Chaffoux's were rushed so that Mr. Chaffoux had supper served to the clerks on one of the upper floors of the building. In others also special arrangements were made for luncheon down town.

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he had been treated at the hospital, Michael Szybik of Common street and John Mouscharak of Lakeview avenue were arrested early today and arraigned in court on charges of simple assault and battery. Szybik pleaded not guilty, saying that he was too drunk to remember, and Mouscharak entered a plea of guilty. After learning the sentence

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## ACCIDENT BOARD CASE

Hearing at City Hall on Death of H. E. Chase, Employee of U. S. Cartridge Company

Howard E. Chase, of 237 Foster street, died October 6, and it was alleged that his death was due to an injury sustained while at work in the United States Cartridge company's plant in Lawrence street, April 29.

A hearing in the case was held in the public reception room at city hall this forenoon. The hearing was under the provisions of the workmen's compensation act. The committee on arbitration consisted of Joseph A. Parks, chairman; Frank Goodwin, for widow of deceased, and J. J. Pickman for the insurer. John J. Hogan was counsel for Mrs. Chase and H. S. Avery of Boston for the insurer, the London Guarantee and Accident company.

Howard E. Chase was employed as a planer in the planer department. His wages at the time of the accident amounted to \$16.20 a week. He was engaged in lifting a piece of cast iron, a planing table, that proved too heavy for him and he was obliged to drop it. His brother, Cyrus Chase, was lifting on the other end of the table when when dropped it. The table weighed 465 pounds.

Cyrus was the first witness called at today's hearing. He said that he and his brother had first lifted a piece of iron weighing about 200 pounds and then they tackled the big piece weighing 465 pounds. Cyrus said he did not know if his brother's hands slipped or whether he let go voluntarily. Cyrus was not injured. He said that as soon as his brother let go of the casting he put his hand to his heart as if in great pain. Cyrus told his brother to go home and that he would tell the boss what had happened. Upon arriving at the foot of the stairs Howard Chase was informed that his mother was dead. Both brothers then went to the home of their sister with whom their mother lived in Andrews street. Cyrus Chase said that the news of their mother's death did not come as a shock to himself or his brother, as she had been ailing for some time. She was a very old woman and they knew that her death might occur at any moment. It was on Thursday that Howard Chase was injured and that his mother died. Cyrus had the funeral postponed until Sunday because of his brother's condition. Howard went to his mother's funeral and that was the last time he was out of doors. The doctors said his death was due to a leaky valve in his heart.

Cyrus Chase said that he and his brother had the assistance of only one man in lifting the big planing table from its elevation of about two feet to the floor. He said they ought to have had the assistance of another man at

### CONTROL OF JUAREZ

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 27.—Control of the civil government of Juarez by the Mexican de facto government began today with the installation of officials, inspection of archives, and establishment of official bank accounts. The mustering out of Villa soldiers also began.

### WM. V. CLEARY SENTENCED

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 27.—William V. Cleary, former town clerk of Haverstraw, who was acquitted of the murder of his young son-in-law, Eugene B. Newman, about a year ago, was today sentenced to not less than three years and not more than six years and four months in prison after having been convicted of forgery a few days ago.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

### NOTICE

Employees of the United States Cartridge Co.

Persons who were employed by the United States Cartridge Co., prior to Sept. 28th, but who have since been separated from our employ are entitled to compensation due to the difference in rate allowed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

Persons who have been employed after Sept. 28th, and who have since been separated from our employ are not entitled to the compensation. Present employees who have claims as outlined in the first paragraph may receive adjustment of wages according to the following schedule:

Drawing and Planer Departments, Tuesday, Dec. 28, from 2 to 5 P. M.

Bullet and Artillery Planer Department, Wednesday, Dec. 29, from 2 to 5 P. M.

Finish Shell and Loading Department, Thursday, Dec. 30, 2 to 5 P. M.

Expense, Inspecting and Packing Department, Friday, Dec. 31, 2 to 5 P. M.

Commercial Stock and Stores and Shot Shell Departments on Thursday, Dec. 30. 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Per order of

H. B. COHO, Business Director.

## FRENCH STEAMER WAS SUNK WITHOUT WARNING

The Ville de La Ciotat Torpedoed in the Mediterranean by Submarine—Many Picked Up by British Steamer

PARIS, Dec. 27, 6:35 p. m.—The French steamer Ville de La Ciotat with passengers on board, was torpedoed without warning and sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine on December 24, the ministry of marine announced today. Most of the passengers and members of the crew have been rescued.

The statement says:

"The steamer Ville de La Ciotat was torpedoed and sunk on the 24th in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were picked up by English steamer. Details have not been received."

The Ville de La Ciotat was one of the largest of the steamships sunk recently in the Mediterranean. Her gross tonnage was 5378. She was 457 feet long and 50 feet beam. She was built at La Ciotat, France, in 1892 and was owned by the Messageries Maritimes or Marseilles. She was last reported on her arrival at Saigon, Indo China, on Dec. 1, on the voyage from Yokohama to Marseilles.

### 80 LIVES LOST

LONDON, Dec. 27, 6:05 p. m.—Eighty of the passengers and crew of the Ville de La Ciotat lost their lives. The remainder of the persons on board were saved.

### BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 27, 6:06 p. m.—The 4500-ton British steamship Yeddo, from Calcutta Nov. 24, for Boston and New York, has been sunk. Her crew was

representatives of the line here said that they had not been advised of the sinking of the ship up to a late hour today. So far as is known here no Americans were among the passengers.

### WASHINGTON HEARS 79 LOST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Seventy-nine persons were drowned in the destruction of the French liner Ville de La Ciotat, the American consul at Malta reported today to the state department. No Americans were aboard. The ship, he reports, was torpedoed without warning at 10:15 o'clock on Dec. 24 and sunk in 15 minutes.

The American consul reported further that the rescued were picked up by a Moss liner after they had been picked up by another. The torpedoed ship, the consul reported, was on her way from Japan, China, and Hawaii to Marseilles. The lost included one woman, a first class passenger, a stewardess, and two children.

### NO AMERICAN PASSENGERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Messageries Maritimes, the line owning the steamer Ville de La Ciotat sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine, is represented in the United States by the International Sleeping Car Co.

Another Member of the Ford Party Stricken at Copenhagen

### GOV. HANNA ILL

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LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co. reports that Gov. L. B. Hanna of North Dakota, has arrived at Copenhagen severely ill of influenza, and has gone to a hospital.

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## FIERCE STORM SWEPT OVER LOWELL



VIEW OF THE BIG TREE BLOWN OVER AT WORTHEN AND MOODY STREETS

Photo by Barr Engraving Co.

Big Trees Blown Over, Chimneys Torn Down and Other Damage Done—Traffic of All Kinds Delayed

It surely must have been on such a day as yesterday that the ill-fated wood-scow Julie Planté, and her romantic cook, Rosalie, went down on the Lake St. Pierre about a mile from the shore, for

"De win' she blew some more."

As a general rule when big storms have swept the country, Lowell has been particularly fortunate and has experienced but little of the disastrous severity of the elements. But yesterday proved the exception and Lowell surely was storm-bound for three solid hours during which much damage was done within the city limits. Usually the harm done is greater in the neighbor-

boring towns than in the city proper, but in this case, comparatively little damage had been reported from the adjacent towns while all over the city considerately havoc was wrought, and even at as well protected a point as Worthen and Moody streets with tall buildings on all sides a huge tree was blown down, its roots being lifted clear of the ground.

Sunday morning dawned fair and all indications pointed to a good day atmospherically. The thermometer soared up to 59 degrees and churchgoers found the temperature of the different edifices rather uncomfortable on account of the heat.

But about 11 o'clock clouds quickly

## RUSSIANS AND BRITISH DEFEAT STRONG FORCES

Czar's Troops Defeat Persian Insurgents—British Rout Turks—King Peter in Italy

Petrograd reports a victory for the Russians in Persia against a well-armed force that included several thousand Persian Insurgent gendarmes. The insurgent army fled after it had suffered heavy losses, it is declared.

On the Riga-Dvinsk front in Russia the Germans have resumed their activity, according to Petrograd, but without any gains of ground being recorded. Gas was employed in some of the German attacks, the Russian

reports states. Berlin declares that nothing worth reporting has occurred on the eastern front.

British Victory

A severe repulse for the Turks by the British Mesopotamian army at Kut-el-Amara on the Tigris, is reported by the British commander, Gen. Townshend. The Turks attacked determinedly, but were beaten off, their losses being from 600 to 800 killed and

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## KILLED BY A CAR

MURDER OF HIS FATHER TRIAL OF MORRISON H. PEASLEE OPENS AT CONCORD; N. H., TO-DAY

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 27.—The trial of Morrison H. Peaslee, charged with the murder of his father, Howard W. Peaslee at Hemiker on May 22, 1914, was set for today. Many witnesses have been summoned.

The elder Peaslee was a toy maker. Though reported to be wealthy, he has lived for some time in a little hut. His wife had not lived with him for several years and had begun divorce proceedings. His body was discovered in the hut and it was found that he had been shot.

The search for his murderer led to the examination of several men with whom he was alleged to have quarreled and one of these was arrested, but later released.

Some time after his father's death Morrison Peaslee went in business at Portland, Me. He was arrested there a few months ago after Portland police officers said they had heard Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs were returning from their camp at Knapp's pond, Littleton, and were waiting for a car. The deceased whose eyesight was impaired, heard a car and believed it to be bound for Lowell, he started to cross the tracks and was struck by a car proceeding in the opposite direction. The man was thrown several feet and sustained a fracture of the skull, which caused his death a short time afterward. Mrs. Burroughs had a narrow escape.

The victim was picked up by the car crew, Motorman David Robbins and Conductor Earl Farnsworth, and rushed toward this city. He passed away before reaching here, however, and the body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Healey. Deceased was a shipper in the Massachusetts mills.

BROWN ELEVEN AT PASADENA PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 27.—Accompanied by two coaches, 21 players of the Brown university football squad arrived here today to prepare for the game with Washington state college, New Year's day. The squad was met at the station by Brown alumni. The men will practice each day under the direction of E. N. Robinson, head coach.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

### MME. BERNHARDT SINKING

FAMOUS ACTRESS IS CRITICALLY ILL, BUT CONDITION IS NOT HOPELESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Mme. Sarah Bernhardt is critically ill, but her condition is not entirely hopeless, according to a message from Paris received here today by a motion picture company which has made several films of the actress. The message reads:

"Bernhardt sinking, but relatives state condition not hopeless although she is extremely weak."

The message was in answer to one sent from here asking for a definite statement concerning Mme. Bernhardt's condition.

Dr. Allen SUN BUILDING

Let your first New Year resolution be to see Dr. Allen. Telephone in now 2458 and make an appointment for an examination. It costs you nothing and will probably save suffering and expense.

Painless Dentistry Lasting

NEVER TOO LATE

If St. Nicholas failed to remember you with an electric toaster or percolator, please excuse it.

No doubt the gentleman had many to think of.

Why not favor our electric store with a call today?

### Day After Xmas Shortest of Year

EXCEPT to HE or SHE who has a SAVINGS account to lean against, the SAVINGS act is bad business, for should you buy bread today, he will buy it the day after Christmas. Interest begins this week at

Middlesex Trust Co.

Corner Merrimack and Palmer Sts.

Open Saturday Night

Lowell Electric Light Corp.

29-31 Market Street.

Tel. 521.

# WORK ON STATE HIGHWAYS

What Highway Commission Expended in Middlesex Co.—But 16 Ft. of New Road for Lowell

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 27.—That \$45,255.29 has been expended by the Massachusetts highway commission in the county of Middlesex for state highways during the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1915, is the statement made by Secretary Bleier of the highway board in a letter to County Treasurer Joseph O. Hayden. Of this amount the cities and towns of the county will be called upon to contribute \$36,301.46, or 25 per cent, of the total expenditure, but will be given six years in which to make the final settlement. This will leave \$60,51.24 to be contributed annually, the payments coming due on Nov. 15, of each year.

Accompanying this communication are several tables which contain figures from which these results were prepared. One table gives the lengths of state highway laid out during the year; another table, the lengths of state highway constructed; another, amounts paid for repair and maintenance; and a table giving the amounts expended under the "small town" act.

These tables show that 12,392 feet, or 2.25 miles of state highway had been laid out during the past year, that 19,378 feet, or 3.69 miles, have been constructed; that \$75,51.24 have been expended exclusive of repairs and maintenance; and that \$50,317.10 has been paid out for the repairs and maintenance; and that \$16,264.11 has been expended under the provisions of the "small town" act.

The lengths of state highway laid out in Middlesex county during the past year, and the communities in which the work was done, follows: Chelmsford, 6178 feet; Reading, 554 feet; Tewksbury, 931 feet; and Woburn, 5249 feet.

The lengths of state highways constructed in the county during the past year, follow: Ayer, 200 feet; Chelmsford, 3767 feet; Groton, 300 feet; Lowell, 10,090.

Be able to ascertain for a few days. Members of the firm, with headquarters, spent all day yesterday taking account of stock, but up to last night were unable to determine where any more than \$35,55 was missing.

The police have but one clue to use in solving the mystery, and that is a finger print on a dollar bill which was left behind by the robbers. A copy of this print will be made and it will be compared with the finger prints of some well known safe breakers.

All day yesterday Inspectors Waite and Alexander worked in connection with the police of the City Hall aviator station. It is their opinion that the men were very familiar with safes because of the clean-cut job they did. The safe is located in the rear of the store, and surrounded with show cases. Despite this fact not a single case was broken nor was any woodwork shattered.

So anxious were the police to catch the men that they immediately got into communication with every police department near Boston and the police in all large cities requesting them to watch for the men. It is believed that the robbers used an automobile to make their escape.

## SAYS HE WAS ROBBED

MAX FOUND WANDERING IN BOSTON STREETS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL, SUFFERING FROM GRIPPE

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—After hours of aimless wandering through the streets of Boston and Cambridge, Clarence Gardner, 65 years old, who told a story of being robbed Christmas eve at Atheneum, the avenue hotel, was taken to the Cambridge State hospital late yesterday afternoon suffering with a severe attack of the grippe.

The will of John Morris of Lowell, who died December 10, 1915, has been filed. It is dated February 5, 1911 and names George A. Jacobs of Lowell as executrix of the estate of his husband, Joseph C. Morris, of Lowell, who died March 10, 1915. No valuation of the estate was filed.

The will, that was rifled contained the registered mail of the banking and brokerage house of Laird & Co., which handles the DuPont business.

Both Johnsons remain mute as their cells and have nothing to say other than to deny that they killed the sack. Asked to explain how checks totaling \$300,000 happened to be found partly burned in an old stove in a yard in the rear of the house where they lived at 214 Orange street, and securities worth \$700,000 under the seal of their wagon, they simply shook their heads and said they did not understand it.

Whether the prisoners will break down and tell what they know is what the puzzling Postoffice Inspector Plummer admits. The pair will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Bassett Thursday morning. They were held temporarily in \$3000 bail each Saturday by Commissioner Mahaffey.

The authorities are at a loss to understand how it happened the sack opened was probably the most valuable one ever sent out from the local postoffice. They say that unless some one knew what the sack contained that either of the other two might have been rifled. They held nothing but ordinary Christmas packages and mail.

## CRACKSMEN GOT \$3895

ROBBER MADE HALL IN BOSTON STORE—FINGER PRINT ON BILL ONLY CLUE LEFT FOR POLICE

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Superintendent Crowley of the Boston police yesterday took a hand in rounding down the robbers who cracked the safe of F. Voreberg & Co., 15 Winter street, on Saturday night and secured in the vicinity of \$400.

The superintendent is particularly anxious to round up these safe breakers, for he is of the opinion that they are experts in crime.

Just how the safe robbers actually operated is not known, for with the police are investigating.

## 150 BARELY ESCAPED

GUESTS OF HOTEL AND STUDENTS LONG THEIR BELONGINGS IN FIRE

LOWELL, N. Y., Dec. 27.—On the morning of the Christmas Eve, 150 students of the City High School and 50 students of the Royal Holloway school were barely able to escape only in time with the fire, and took refuge in the building of the Lowell Normal School. At the time of the fire, the building of the Lowell Normal School was occupied by the Postmaster General, and the Postmaster General and his office had been converted into a temporary classroom. Classes did not begin until 10 o'clock in the afternoon.

DISMISSED GOLD WATCH

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MEMORIAL CHURCH

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## MOB ATTACKS THE JAIL

LATE WAR NEWS  
(continued)

TWO ATTEMPTS OF MOB OF 500 TO GET AT PRISONERS ACCUSED OF MURDER

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 27.—Until a late hour last night a mob of white men, variously estimated at from 100 to 500, surrounded the Muskogee county jail here, apparently preparing for a renewal of their efforts to lynch two negroes accused of killing a policeman.

Earlier in the evening two attempts of the mob to break into the jail were repulsed by state guardsmen. On the first attempt the attackers broke down the front doors of the jail with a steel rail, used as a battering ram. Members of Co. F, Oklahoma National Guard, were forced to charge with fixed bayonets before the mob would disperse.

The two negroes, William Green and Mathis Foreman, are charged with having shot and killed Patrolman Sam Neal early yesterday, when he attempted to arrest them on suspicion of burglary. County officers said last night that one of the negroes confessed.

## STRIKING MOULDERS MET

NO CHANGE IN SITUATION—THE STRIKERS PAID BENEFITS THIS AFTERNOON

The strike of molders and coremakers at the Saco-Lowell shops is now two weeks old and thus far no overtures have been made by either side. The men demand an increase of 25 cents per day over the minimum wage of \$3. Pickets have been out every day at the plant and they report that only a few foreigners are engaged in the foundry.

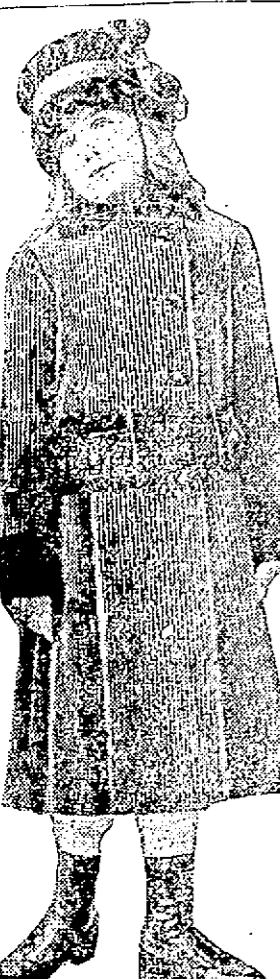
A meeting of the men was held this morning in Trades & Labor hall. Business of considerable importance was transacted and Secretary Charles E. Anderson read the roll call. Interesting remarks on unionism were made by Eugene L. Murphy of Norwood, New England organizer for the International Molders' union and by Thomas Reagan, general organizer for the United Textile Workers of America.

This afternoon the men assembled at the hall again where they were paid the first strike benefit from the union. Each member in good standing will receive \$7.40 weekly until the strike is declared off.

The company now has an order for spinning frames for China which were received as a result of the work of Fred Hayes who was sent as special emissary to the Orient by Agent E. F. Blake. The order is worth \$200,000.

## AT THE LOWELL JAIL

The prisoners at the Lowell jail were given the freedom of the corridor on Christmas day, and in this manner Christmas greetings were exchanged during the forenoon and afternoon. At noon the men and women were served a fine roast pork dinner, while the bill of fare also included such good things as pie, fruit and vegetables.



## GOING VISITING

This child has a warmly lined coat of striped velvet in two tones of brown. Collar, cuffs and belts are of plain brown velvet as is the bonnet with its tiny ostrich tip on one side. This is the kind of coat that clever mothers can successfully make.

## VI-TO

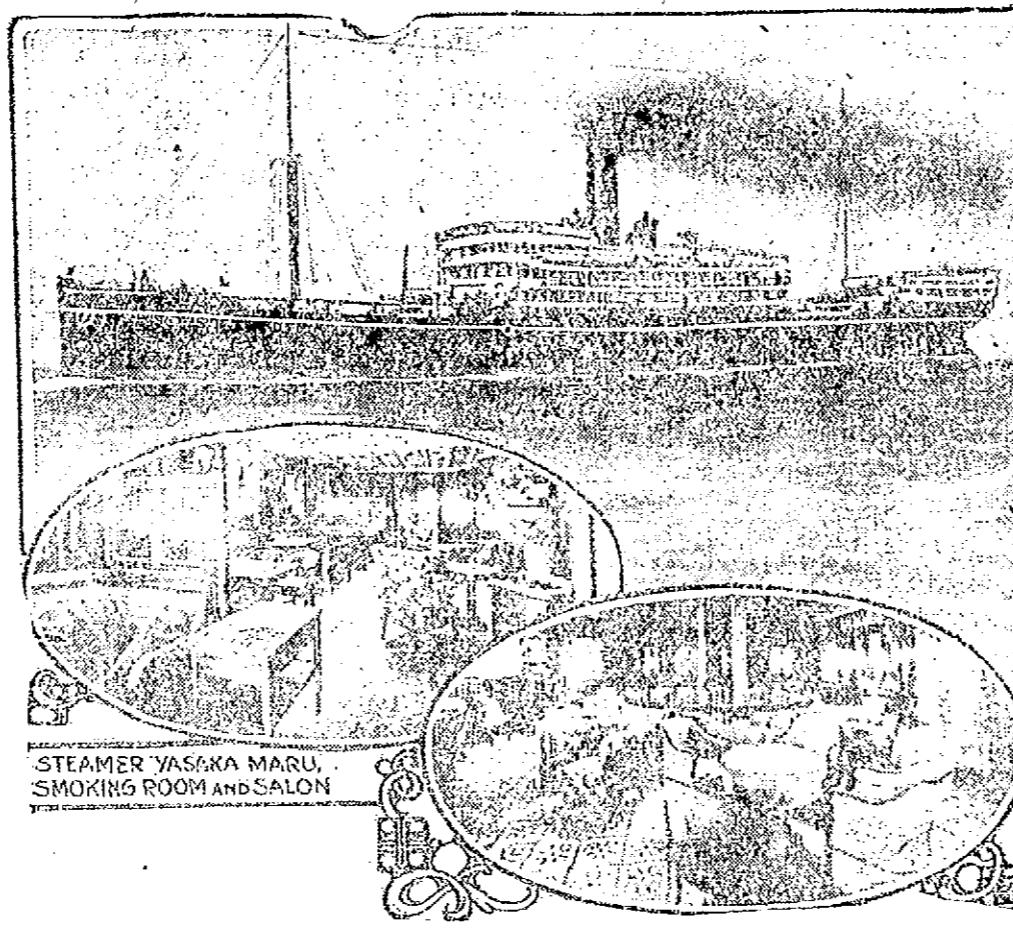
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## \$12,500,000 IN GOLD WENT TO THE BOTTOM WHEN THE YASAKA MARU WAS TORPEDOED

STEAMER YASAKA MARU,  
SMOKING ROOM AND SALON

That the steamship Yasaka Maru, view. A French gunboat, cruising with a German or Austrian sub-patrol, picked up the passengers and crew off Port Said, carried \$12,500,000 Japanese gold with her to the at Port Said. On the passenger list bottom was announced in Tokyo, were fifty-one men, fifty-four women and fifteen children, most of whom were British subjects. W. J. Leigh, the only American citizen on board, was born in China. His father was a resident of California. Mr. Leigh has passed most of his life in China, but recently has lived in England, turned turtle and disappeared from the steamship. He was returning to China on board

## SLEEPYTIME TALES

## GREEDY TIP.

Once upon a time Tip, the country squirrel, had his first Christmas tree in the home of Baby John. On Christmas day he thought he was having the best time he ever had in his whole life for you know to a squirrel a great time is to have plenty to eat, as they don't need any clothes or shoes or hats and don't care to travel very far from home.

The Christmas tree had been a lovely sight and Tip enjoyed every minute of it especially the loads and loads of nuts and many little bags of candy which were hanging in the tree from Baby John and all the members of the family for little Tip. As the bags were headed to him he tore them open in a frenzy of haste and immediately began to hide the candy and nuts in all parts of the house as well as in the garden and all other places out of doors that he could think of.

Finally he crawled close up to Baby John and with a squeak rolled over on the floor. Baby John's father had to take him up and give him some medicine before he began to feel better. He got some sense in his little head, however, from the experience and did not go near the hidden nuts and candy for almost a week and for a long time his "table manners" were very dainty and his appetite small.

## Bell—Hayden

James J. Bell and Miss Margaret Hayden were married yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's church, the ceremony being performed at 1 o'clock by Rev. Dr. D. J. Keleher, pastor. The bride wore silk and carried lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss Jennifer Bartlett, who wore blue silk and carried white carnations. The best man was Harold Wright. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, the wedding march being played by Charles O'Neill. Dinner was served and a musical program was given those taking part being Joseph Clark, Stephen Lynch, Chas. Stearns, William J. Bell, Mrs. Emma Wilson, Miss Nora Looney and John J. Hayden. At the close of the reception Mr. and Mrs. Bell, who were the recipients of numerous wedding gifts left on an extended wedding trip to New York and upon their return they will make their home at 35 Burns street.

## Donahue—Coyle

Frank Donahue and Miss Mary Coyle were married yesterday afternoon at St. Patrick's rectory, the ceremony being performed at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Joseph A. Curtis. The bride wore white muslin with chiffon overdress and carried bridal roses. The bridegroom, Miss Annie Coyle, a sister of the bride, was attired in pink crepe de chino and carried pink roses. The best man was Arthur Donahue, brother of the bridegroom. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, 59 Rock street, where a wedding dinner was also served. Mr. and Mrs. Donahue, who received numerous wedding gifts, including silver and cut glass, left on an extended wedding tour and will be at home to their friends at 32 Rock street after Feb. 1.

## STEAMER CONDEMNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The steamer Solvay owned by the American Trans-Atlantic Co. has been condemned by the French prize court. The owners will appeal.

Flying a Norwegian flag the Solvay was seized while in a French port. American papers reached her commander a few days later. Suspected German ownership was given as the cause for detaining the vessel.

Official advices announcing the condemnation by a prize court in Hamburg, Germany, of the American sailing ship Pass of Palmaria, reached the state department today. The department will take no action in either case until it has been passed on in appeal.



OF THE COLONEL

A skirt made of black cloth and a coat of white satin, richly ornamented with black silk braid, reversing to white when it meets the skirt, give this decidedly trim effect. The choker collar of black fur matches the dash-

ing hat of this same material.

## PRES. WILSON BUSY

Snow Kept Him Indoors Today and He Devoted the Morning to Correspondence from Washington HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 27.—Heavy snow kept Pres. Wilson indoors today and he devoted the morning to papers brought from Washington. With Mrs. Wilson he planned to go motoring later in the day. Among the questions before him was the selection of a postmaster for New York city, several applications for pardons and numerous routine executive orders.

## POLICEMEN CELEBRATE

## EIGHT OFFICERS FINISHED 16 YEARS IN THE DEPARTMENT YESTERDAY

Ten years of continuous and faithful service on the local police department were rounded out by eight officers yesterday, they having begun their duties on Dec. 26, 1905. No formal celebration was held though the officers received the congratulations of their fellow workers. The officers, who were appointed by the police commission consisting of Messrs. Frank R. Dow, Fisher, H. Pearson and Forrest Beals, are: Sergt. David Petrie, Patrolman John H. Clark, Peter McNamean, John Swanwick, John Gillis, John Conlon, Simon Lane and Patrick H. Bagley.

## CHRISTMAS CANTATA

A Christmas cantata was given last evening in the North Biltmore Baptist church by the church choir. The characters were dressed in biblical costumes and rendered their selections in a pleasing manner. Miss Hilda Perry was the organist.



GOING SKATING?

## SWEET SIXTEEN

White angora, a fitted, close fitting cap with a wide luxuriant scarf, gives this modish result. The band on the side of the cap is composed of seal with a center of coral beads.

## THOMPSON FILES EXPENSES

Perry D. Thompson has filed his election expense account with the city clerk. Mr. Thompson's try for the mayoralty nomination cost him \$507.25.

## SLIGHT FIRE

Children playing with matches in a

house at 55 Perkins street caused a

slight fire this forenoon. A small

amount of clothing in a closet was de-

stroyed.

"Slappers" are universally hard to

get. This one is modestly set up

in a suit of navy broadcloth seal

band. The ubiquitous belt has

been dispensed by a double silk cord,

the ends of which are finished with

seal balls. With the suit goes a blue

velvet hat wreathed with a band

of tiny ostrich feathers.

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# XMAS TREES IN TRENCHES THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

**A. P. Man Spent Christmas Eve With Bavarian Reserve Company—Tells of His Experiences**

WITH THE GERMAN ARMY IN one of the oldest men in the service, NORTHERN FRANCE, Dec. 24, who had learned but a short time before Dille and Berlin to London Dec. 27, that his son had fallen only a few weeks ago, the son had fallen only a few weeks ago. The father's voice broke. Therefore there was no cessation of activity along the line in Northern France on Christmas Eve—if possible the minute later he mounted the rifle, the French artillery fire more nearly the minute and spoke to his men in the approximated the celebrated "drum" fire of the late September offensive, there was no trace of the sorrow he had just expressed.

The music was without exception the most important day of the year and the Bavarians in Northern France refused to allow the French artillery to spoil their celebration. All along the line, from the most advanced trenches to the communication points in the rear, Christmas trees blazed almost as if in opposition to the flame of exploding shells.

It was the fortunate lot of the Associated Press correspondent to be available to spend Christmas Eve with a Bavarian reserve company, every member of which had been in the field at least a year and most of whom spent the preceding Christmas in the field. French guns boomed incessantly, shells rippling up acres of ground but luckily not intruding upon the scene of the celebration of the First company of Regiment No. 16. In order to spend the evening as nearly as possible in the accustomed way all the members of the company had been assembled from their various posts and gathered in a little wooden building just behind the front. A tiny stage had been erected for the inevitable orchestra and speakers and in one corner stood a little Christmas tree laden with tinsel and sweets. Adjoining it were long tables on which were gifts for the soldiers—cigars, socks, letters, chocolate and all kinds of wearing apparel—mostly home-made articles stitched by loving fingers and intended to lessen in some degree at least the rigors of winter camp.

Not a man of the company was less than 35 years old, and the majority of them were 45. Nine out of every ten, one could tell by the rings on their fingers, were married. The majority, too, had sons in the field and many had lost their nearest and dearest. The company's captain, in private life a lawyer, and

the senior of the group at Bethlehem, was most appreciative of the music of "Peace on Earth," which the men sang.

Except for the uniforms one could not have guessed the two brands were soldiers who had been separated from their families for months and who had lost friends or relatives upon the field of battle. An element of somberness was injected into the celebration when the captain rose to speak. Not as an oration to private but as man to man he thanked his soldiers for what they had done. He referred to the previous Christmas and then to the hope of expectation that peace would come soon, calling upon them to continue to render the same service to the Fatherland as they had been given.

His final words had just been spoken when a tremendous French artillery salvo sounded with a boom that drowned every other sound. It was followed by another salvo of volleys from the soldiers, assuring their captain of their loyalty to the last drop of their blood.

The only civilian guests were Americans.

Wherever possible German soldiers attended church on Christmas day.

**Grand Services in the Churches—Musical Programs in Catholic Churches**

The Christmas services at the church of the Immaculate Conception were beautiful and impressive as usual. The festive note was apparent in the decorations, in the musical programs and in the elaborate ritual of the holiday season. Festoons of holly and laurel had been wound round the pillars and the many lights were twined with garlands. The high altar was a mass of flowers, the predominating color being red and green. At the altar of the Virgin the crib had been arranged in artistic impressiveness and all eyes were attracted to it by a star that gleamed among the dark pines in the background.

Rev. Lawrence P. Tighe, O.M.I., the pastor, spoke at all of the masses, his sermon consisting of a brief exposition of Christmas, followed by a sincere wish for the happiness of the people of the parish. He reminded the congregation of the real meaning of Christmas, declaring that while the social sponse of the day should not be lost sight of, the real meaning of Christmas became known only to those who realized the importance of the group at Bethlehem.

The Christmas services at the High-Church were largely attended and were conducted by the pastor Rev. Charles J. Gilligan, assisted by Rev. Henry C. Reardon. The Christmas mass was of a particularly fine order.

Miss Catherine B. Hennessy, the talented soprano soloist of the choir was never heard to better advantage. The Christmas music was repeated yesterday, and at the offertory, Miss Hennessy assisted by the full choir gave the inspiring hymn: "Amen, Redemptor Miser."

At yesterday's service Rev. Fr. Gilligan expressed his thanks to his parishioners for their generosity as shown in their Christmas offering on the day previous which he said amounted to \$720.50, over \$100 more than one year ago.

It was announced that the annual parish reunion will be held in Associate hall on the evening of January 14th. New Year's day being a holy day of obligation, the Feast of the Circumcision, masses will be sung at 5, 6, 7 and 8 o'clock, and confessions will be heard on the day and evening before.

In his sermon yesterday Rev. Fr. Gilligan urged all to begin the new year right by approaching the altar on New Year's morning.

**St. Peter's**

The Christmas services at St. Peter's were marked by the impressiveness and perfection of detail that are characteristic of all of its special occasions. The holiday decorations were brilliant and profuse and the music was of a high order.

The solemn high mass Christmas day was celebrated by Rev. William J. Mahan, O.M.I., of Tewksbury, the Tewksbury novitiate, with Rev. Fr. Sullivan and Heffernan as deacon and sub-deacon respectively.

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High mass yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I., and the sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. McCarthi, O.M.I. It was announced that the courses on New Year's day will be at 5:15, 6:30 and 8 o'clock and vestments at 7:30 in the evening. On Friday evening there will be special New Year's eve services, including the singing of the "Te Deum" and the "Miserere" to thank God for the blessings of the past year and to ask His forgiveness for the sins of the year.

**Sacred Heart**

Great pains were taken in the preparations for Christmas at the Sacred Heart church and the results were a resounding success.

The decorations were of the usual impressiveness and the music was as excellent as it was appropriate.

The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Wood, O.M.I., with Rev. Fr. Pfeiffer, O.M.I. and Rev. Fr. Gallagher, O.M.I. as deacon and sub-deacon respectively.

The pastor, Rev. T. Wade Smith, O.M.I., spoke briefly, thanking all who so kindly assisted in making the day notable and wishing happiness to the people of the parish.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS  
FASHION NOTES

## FOR WOMAN AND HOME

SOCIAL GOSSEPP  
FEMININE LORE

## WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook uses stale bread to make a very delicious fruit charlotte. She cuts the bread into slices about a quarter of an inch thick, then into strips two inches wide. Then butter a mould, slip the slices into melted butter and arrange them about the bottom and sides of the mould, slightly overlapping. Fill the center with apple sauce seasoned with butter and sugar, and put a teaspoon of jam in the center of this. Cover the top with strips of the bread and bake in a hot oven thirty minutes. Serve with a hard sauce. Any stewed fruit may be used.

For nice bread tarts cut bread into circles about a quarter of an inch thick. Moisten with milk and spread over jam or preserve and place slices together like sandwiches. Put in a frying pan with a little butter and saute on both sides. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve very hot.

Cook has given me some good hints on the cleansing furniture. Oiled and varnished woods should simply be wiped with a flannel cloth wrung out of warm water. Grained wood should be washed with cold tea. Grained wood may be washed in warm water with a few drops of ammonia.

To wash matting, cook says: wipe with a cloth wrung from salt and water. This will prevent it from turning yellow. Discolored spots on carpets can be frequently restored by rubbing with a sponge dipped in ammonia diluted with water. Smoked ceilings that have been blackened by a kerosene lamp may be restored with soda water. To wash windows take a little ammonia on a sponge, rub over the glass, touching every part of the pane, then rub briskly.

Some hints on cooking by cook: To turn jelly out of a mould without breaking, rub a little of the best olive oil on the shape before pouring in the jelly.

Always put a cauliflower in plain water so as to draw out any insects. If salt is used it simply kills the insects and leaves them in the vegetable.

Never put salt in soup when cooking until it has been thoroughly skimmed as salt prevents the scum from rising.

## FRATERNITY PINS

New York Pawn Shops Offer Big Collection of Golden Trademarks

The college sophomore, his newly acquired Greek letter pin fairly burning his breast with its brightness, and his hands itching to practise the secret grip with every unsuspecting passer-by, would do well to make a tour of inspection of the pawnshops along Park Row and the Bowery, New York. There he will find the pin which he thought never budged from the ostentatious semi-concealment of the vest pocket lapel vulgarly displayed to the public at large from the brilliantly lighted window of the pawnbroker. And, to make the disillusionment complete, the pin too often has a price tag attached.

Such a tour, recently made, located over 60 pins displayed by avuncular establishments, which can be bought for a half or two-thirds of their original cost. Delta Upsilon and Alpha Delta Phi were close rivals for the honor of pawnbrokers' favorite, it being won by the former by a score of 10 to 8, while Beta Theta Pi came third with 7.

The best collection was found on Park Row, near the Brooklyn bridge. Here, marshaled in orderly rank and file, could be seen in the insignia of many rivals of the college world. The big three, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi and Psi Upsilon, were all there, as well as the Tau Nu Theta, the famous sophomore secret society, and many others. A complete list includes Delta Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Theta Omega Sigma, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Epsilon Sigma, Alpha Epsilon, Psi Epsilon, Phi Gamma, Chi Phi Delta Phi, Sigma Pi, and one each of Alpha Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta, girls' sororities.

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## WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

If turkey or chicken is rubbed inside with cut lemon it will make the meat white, juicy and tender.

To mend glassware cook says to take five parts of gelatine to one of a solution of acid borate of lime. Cover the broken edges with this and press together, then place in direct sunlight. The mended article will not come apart even if washed in hot water, nor will the break show.

Casts of plaster of paris can be cleaned easily by melting some whiting in water, dissolving a little soap in warm water to prevent it from rubbing off and, after stirring well, apply with a soft camel's hair brush.

If your cut glass gets nicked on the edges take a sheet of emery cloth, fasten it rough side up on a flat surface and rub the lumber with a rotary motion against the nicks until they are ground out.

When wishing to stir the beaten yolks of eggs into boiling custard or cream, says cook, beat a tablespoon of cold water with the yolks and it can be stirred in while the custard is boiling and you will not have to set it back to cool.

When peeling potatoes that are in danger of falling to pieces if you use a fork, cook holds them in a piece of brown or oiled paper and they will not fall to pieces.

Quite a good cereal coffee may be made by mixing two parts of ground sweet corn with one part of ground chow.

To remove spots from cloth, cook uses these remedies: If paint is fresh, turpentine, alcohol or naptha will help. If the stain is old and dry, snuff chloroform. Put the portion of fabric to be cleaned over several thicknesses of clean cloth before trying to clean it.

Sometimes gasoline leaves rings on cloth in which it has been used to remove a stain. This ring can be removed by holding over steam. If this does not remedy the difficulty the only thing to do is to dip the whole fabric in gasoline. Always use gasoline out of doors.

When cloth that has not been sponged is spotted from the rain spread a damp cloth over the wrong side of the material and iron it dry.

tion for sale, but Psi Beta Kappa keys, symbols of light and learning, may likewise be had for a dollar each.

How and where these golden trademarks come from is a mystery which the pawnbroker always refuses to divulge, applying vaguely but firmly, "Oh, they come to us every now and then. If you don't want to buy, get out."

TRY this exercise for developing the interest to women.

Women chemists in Missouri number 55.

New Jersey has nearly 150,000 widows.

New York has a women's walking club.

Emma Destinn, the opera singer, is to become an American citizen. Paris is to have a bronze bas-relief of Miss Clevell's execution.

Over 11,000 women are employed in the bakeries of the United States. Serbia has over 2000 women in the army who are fighting in the trenches.

Female clothing workers in Paris have been granted shorter working hours.

Austria is mobilizing its vast army of women workers for the munition factories.

Miss Berna Rudovic, a University of California freshman, lives on 15 cents a day.

American telephone operators answer calls two seconds quicker than their English sisters.

The eight-hour law for women in the District of Columbia has been upheld by the Court of Appeals.

The Women's Trade Union League of New York has asked for volunteers to investigate factory conditions.

Five French women employed as coquettresses in France have sold in a single year 16,632 copies of the Scripture.

As a memorial to her father, Mrs. Russell Sage has presented a college of agriculture to the Syracuse university.

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## YOUR BOYS AND GIRLS

School children rarely have time to reach home for the noonday meal, some way to be made to fit the meal and in consequence eat a pieced up in this important part of children in the important lunch that is in no way calculated to give them the nourishment required at the time. On their return home, half finished, they immediately rush to the other extreme and eat much more than they require or than is good for them and probably in a few hours consume a hearty dinner.

The health of a child should come above the necessity of going to arrangements for the coming baby's welfare should consist of several comforters and quilts, two thin silk material. The wood should be purchased in a large square. The

## WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Nearly everyone has a certain amount of dandruff but Hortense says that it is not so harmful to the hair or scalp if it is not hard and firmly attached to the scalp. Massage is the best means to keep out even this loose dandruff, using a good hair tonic in conjunction with the massage and brushing the hair well also.

Hortense says, in her opinion, there is nothing that will instantly bring hair that has been dried or bleached back to its natural color. A dye in this will wear off but this takes a long time and the hair is apt to become streaked while the renovating process is going on so that much patience is required to wait until it regains its natural color all over. Care should be taken of the hair and scalp while this is going on. It should be shampooed about twice a month and should be massaged vigorously every night before retiring.

Many women are very much worried and alarmed at the discovery of a growth of hair on the chin and the upper lip and Hortense says the only way to get rid of them permanently is to have them taken out by electricity. For a temporary relief she advises this depilatory: Sulphide of soda or calcium sulphide 100 grains, chalk 100 grains. Mix thoroughly and keep dry in a well corked bottle until wanted for use.

Take enough to cover the part to be depilated and add warm water to it until the proper consistency is secured. Spread over the hairy surface and allow it to remain from one to five minutes according to the nature of the growth and the susceptibility of the skin. Then scrape off with a blunt blade like a paper knife. It should be removed as in every case with a depilatory, when the burning sensation is produced. Too long contact with the skin should be avoided, and immediately the hair has been removed, the depilated surface should be gently washed with warm water and a cold cream or a bland oil applied to prevent irritation.

There is nothing better for filling out the chest than deep breathing. One should practice this at least five minutes at night before retiring and on arising in the morning. When walking take long deep breaths, breathing through the nostrils. Persisted in, this will also greatly improve the general health.

There is no longer necessity for loading the head with braids and rats and puffs and curls. The fashions today are so simple that the woman who has only a small crop of hair can dress it stylishly in ease. In dressing your hair consider the frame of your face, advises Hortense. The back of the head is of importance, but the frame made by the hair must be becoming to the face. Women of severely classic features and fine brows can wear the hair brushed straight back from the forehead and coiled at the back of the head or in the nape of the neck.

Simpler hair dressing necessitates cleaner hair, therefore healthier hair. The hair must be thoroughly washed every two weeks, especially if one exercises by either walking or dancing or in a gymnasium. Some women boast of washing their hair but once in six weeks. Think what a state the face would be in if it were washed but once in six weeks and imagine the scalp with its myriads of oil glands and its heavy growth of hair to detail the dust being bathed only once in that long period.

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To keep the skin of the neck in good condition there should be a complexion scrub at least once a week. Make a suds of hot water and some mild soaping soap and scrub the neck with the regular complexion brush. After the scrub, the neck should be well splashed with cold water to harden the tissues and form a paste.

With a frock or blouse that exposes the neck in all its perfection or imperfection, one must take excellent care of the exposed flesh. If there are collar marks about the neck or small surface blemishes, the first proceeding is to prepare a bleach.

A good one is made by combining one ounce of honey, one teaspoon of lemon juice and six drops of oil of bitter almonds, the whites of two eggs and enough fine oatmeal to form a paste.

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When sponging a spot, if one commences at the outside and works towards the center, spreading of the grease is avoided. It is always safer to test the cleanser on a scrap of the material to see that the color is not affected. Chloroform and ether are valuable grease solvents for delicate fabrics. Alcohol banishes grease but often affects colors.

"If the stain remains after one or more applications of the absorbent, sponge with a solvent may be necessary. This is advisable on woolen garments, for even when all grease is apparently removed, enough may remain to collect dirt and cause spots to appear long after the original stain is forgotten.

Many fabrics when wet with a cleanser show only the outline of the spot. To obviate the difficulty, blotting paper should be placed under the spot to be cleaned and a circle

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"A mixture of equal parts of three makes a preparation which is good to keep on hand for emergencies. Benzine, gasoline and naptha also remove grease readily. Kerosene, too, dissolves it but does not evaporate completely and consequently must be followed by an absorbent. Chloroform and ether are valuable grease solvents for delicate fabrics. Alcohol banishes grease but often affects colors.

"If your eyebrows are so blonde tonic is recommended to be used for massage.

Apply a little to the finger tips and rub the fingers along the line of the brows. Be careful to keep in the line of the brows, as the vaseline will grow hairs and, of course, you want only a fine, thin line.

One thing you may overlook, perhaps, is the importance of keeping the eyebrows free from dandruff.

You can work any improvement in the brows until you have rid them of this condition. Dandruff is the result of uncleanliness and when we wash our face we should be careful to wash the brows thoroughly as well.

If you are troubled with dandruff twice a week scrub your eyebrows with soap and warm water and rinse them in warm, salty water. When they are dry rub in a little glycerine.

In a short time you will be rewarded by the disappearance of the dandruff.

When the baby vomits and there are signs of diarrhea, the indication is that the food is too rich or he is getting too much. Cut down the quantity and watch results. If everything is not satisfactory, dilute the water with water or barley water.

With the breast fed baby, the mother as well as the baby is to be watched. If the baby loses weight constantly, it is time to supplement the breast feeding by artificial food. On

the other hand if the mother seems to be in good health but the baby at six or seven months loses weight and his physical development is at a standstill, it is time he had other food.

It is very important to have a child's shoes fit perfectly. If too large they will be apt to rub and make the feet sore. If too tight, they will be equally uncomfortable. The stockings should also fit perfectly, otherwise they will rub the feet into blisters. If too short they will cause a bunion. So you see the fit of both the shoes and stockings is important.

Don't shake or shake a child who wakes up and cries out in the night. Often night terrors are a pure nervous affliction and any harshness only makes matters worse.

If baby's bibs are made of flannel they will not feel so cold when they get wet. If baby chafes easily do not iron his diapers.

When the baby that gains regularly, whose bowel movements are regular and of the right color, and does not vomit, it is in an ideal condition. When he is in this condition do not forget that he is growing and consequently will need his food strengthened from week to week. When taking

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## LOWELL DROPS TO SIXTH

The publication of the state census by the Bureau of Statistics shows that Lowell has dropped down to sixth place in the list of Massachusetts cities, with two or three cities at our heels. The situation is one that no thoughtful citizen can view with equanimity, and there is a lesson for Lowell to learn and learn very quickly, if we are not to drop away behind while cities with more progressive policies forge away ahead, leaving us in their wake.

Not so very long ago Lowell was the third city in Massachusetts, judged by the standard of population. Men Fall River crept up and got ahead; Cambridge was next. New Bedford has just done the same and now Lowell is sixth. Springfield is forging to the front rapidly in point of population, and if the city officials of Lowell and the citizens generally do not wake up and take prompt action, even Lawrence bids fair to lead us before long. It is not a pleasant prospect and it is directly due to the short-sighted policies of those who refuse to give the city room to grow and grow right.

No other city of Massachusetts, with the exception of Cambridge, has a population as large as ours in so small an area. We cannot grow without immediate annexation, and it is a pity that our public officials have not learned the truth sooner. For years The Sun has been telling the people of this need, and short-sighted officials opposed annexation—sometimes because the suggestion came from The Sun. The folly of this is now evident, and all may see it who care to see it.

The Sun always has supported any suggestion for genuine reform and progress, no matter by whom it has been suggested or agitated. The Sun will continue to support any project which in its opinion will benefit the city, and, if this policy were more generally followed Lowell would not now be in the sixth place, with every possibility of a still lower place in the near future.

Lowell needs more territory and needs it badly. Under present conditions many of our people are forced to look for residences in Billerica and other towns or in the sand lots back of the Highlands, half an hour ride from Merrimack square. The annexation of Dracut would meet this emergency, for in Dracut our citizens would find most desirable residential sites within a short distance from the business centre of the city. The annexation of the greater part of Dracut, or the whole of Dracut, would give Lowell room to grow and it would prove a boon not only to the people of Lowell but to the people of Dracut who would then receive city service in all relating to public utilities. To be sure, the annexation of any territory would involve the spending of money, but if communities did nothing that would cost money we should have no cities of importance. All progressive cities have had to annex surrounding territory and while we are hesitating or listening to the pessimistic views of reactionary politicians, cities all around us are developing in area and in population.

A splendid New Year resolution for both Lowell and Dracut to take is to work for annexation. It will have to be done some time, if we are going to keep our rightful place amid Massachusetts cities, and every day that it is delayed is injurious to the city's best interests. The people of Lowell should learn and take to heart the uncomplimentary lesson of the state statistics, and should agitate and support a movement for the annexation of Dracut which would benefit all and give the city the room that it badly needs for residential districts and for development in general.

It is up to the municipal council, the business leaders of Lowell, and to the men of public affairs of Dracut to get together and talk this matter over. If they neglect to do it, there is no need to dream of a bigger and busier city, for until we show intelligence and enterprise by annexing adjacent territory we shall continue to drop behind while less important cities forge ahead. If Lowell continues to ignore the need for annexation, the story of the next state census will be more discouraging than the present. Let our people face the truth and work together for the annexation of Dracut.

## THE DAVIS FUND

It is refreshing, though rather unusual, to read of a discussion of art and literature at a municipal council meeting, but such a discussion was held last Thursday. In fact, the Davis fund was mentioned and there was a divergence of views as to the propriety of using it for purchasing current fiction as it was done. Mayor Murphy and Commissioner Carmichael evidently believe that the Davis fund should be used for the promotion of high literary and artistic ideals, but Commissioner Duncan thinks it serves a high purpose in supplying popular fiction to our reading public.

Even though in the opinion of Mr. Duncan, there is a great deal of philosophy and scientific knowledge in the ephemeral fiction that librarians

wounds and create faction and disunion. Of the others mentioned, some are too old, some are too partisan, some are not partisan enough, and none are so superlatively desirable as to get united support. A want ad. in the leading republican papers might help some.

## IS KITCHENER OUT?

Quietly and without much ado England is making sweeping changes in the management of her domestic and foreign affairs, more especially in relation to the active conduct of war. Many unexpected reverses and a lack of initiative have aroused the people and neither the personality nor the following of the leading men are permitted to stand in the way of the nation's progress. Kitchener seems to have come under the official hat so far as active management is concerned, and the control of the military forces of the empire has been transferred to Sir William Robertson, the imperial chief of staff, and a soldier whose rise has been phenomenal. Whether the change will mean a change in the fortunes of war remains to be seen, but England is determined to work for results, and neither rank nor experience will be permitted to balk the ambition of the nation. The war is showing England the need for national efficiency, and she is applying the lessons as each need comes up.

## DISAVOWS PLOTTER

Officials of the German government in this country will not find it easy to keep their embassy clear of suspicions regarding plots against the United States, for rightly or wrongly, the popular verdict will not be favorable to the higher officials when lesser officials are under the ban. Thus far, Count von Bernstorff has managed to get out of very tight places, and he certainly handles the difficult affairs of his office with skill and tact. As an instance in point is his prompt disavowal of Capt. Franz von Ittelton, a German in the tower of London who has been accused of having designs on American properties and institutions, and who apparently was well supplied with funds to carry out his plans. Despite the recent Mexican history, one cannot minimize the importance of the new revolt. As the country is constituted, any lawless leader can apparently gather marauding bands around him and make a war overnight. It may be that Carranza is fated to go the way of Diaz, Madero and Huerta, and with him may go the pretence of democratic government which seems out of place in a land that needs a strong ruler backed by a strong army. Carranza has invited trouble by his attacks on law and religion and Villa may yet do for him what he did for Huerta, though now the influence of the United States government backs the so-called government of Mexico, with Carranza in the rickety chair.

## NOTE TO AUSTRIA

The most pointed, forceful and uncompromising note sent by the government of the United States to any belligerent power since the war started has just been sent to Austria. It is virtually an ultimatum, the direct cause of which was the sinking of the Ancon with its "wanton slaughter of defenceless non-combatants." The Austrian government is sharply reminded that the United States had before that time made its attitude plain to Germany, and it is intimated that Austria should have observed the law of humanity which is the basis of the United States policy towards naval acts of the warring powers. Not being satisfied with protesting or asking that such acts be discontinued, our state department summons Austria to disavow the Ancon deed, to punish the commander who was guilty of carrying it out, and to indemnify the victim. It seems to be the opinion of Washington officials that a refusal of Austria to recognize the refusal of Austria to recognize the American point of view and to disavow the American demands would lead to a breach in diplomatic relations between the two governments.

"It does, young," said the mother in a voice of ominous calm, as she reached for her viper. "It means that I know what I've done."

With interest and some anxiety, as the tone of the note made clear Austria plausibly to what an unsatisfactory party might easily lead. This is a note that neither Germany nor Austria will be inclined to treat lightly.

## WANTED—GREAT REPUBLICAN

Republican leaders, or those of them who have no aspirations of their own, continue to get worried about the presidential situation. For many weeks the choice of a candidate for the nomination in 1916 has been discussed informally and to day material is surprisingly silent, or the four or five men who have been getting most editorial notice, a few are without opposition, one presidential candidate, and these few do not seem likely to win the support of the party.

Justice Holmes seems to be the most likely to be chosen, but he is a man who has been nominated for president, and now ex-President Taft, who is likely to decline that as it is thought his selection were imminent, has been through with active politics for a long time. Mr. Davis, the world's considerate

moderate, is favorable, but the wise say this would only split the party.

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## PROBLEMS DUE TO WAR

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION ACTIVE SINCE BEGINNING OF EUROPEAN CONFLICT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Unprecedented problems with which the federal bureau of immigration had to deal as the result of the war in Europe are pictured in the annual report of Commissioner General Anthony Caminetti, made public today by the secretary of labor.

Particular attention is directed to difficulties encountered in enforcing the deportation of undesirable aliens because of the prospect, in many cases, of placing them in extreme hazard either on the high seas or after being landed in a foreign port. Although in the main the policy of protecting aliens proved to be correct and was successful, the commissioner general says, one of its results has been to leave in the United States at the close of the year 1914 2000 foreigners with no right to be here and destined ultimately to deportation.

"It would be impossible," the report continues, "adequately to describe the problems which have confronted the bureau as the result of the unique situation produced by the existence of the European conflict. There have hardly been a clash of enforcement of the regulations which it has not been necessary to modify, suspend, or remodel in its applications. Such propositions, as the control of land boundaries, particularly the Canadian border, (Canada being involved in the war), the handling of alien seamen, especially those employed on vessels of belligerent nations intended to United States ports, and the handling of aliens of an extremely undesirable type intended to come to the United States from belligerent countries because of the very situation arising from the status of their native land, are but a few of the larger problems with which the bureau has been confronted successfully to meet. This situation has been no easy task."

Urging the necessity for excluding aliens on economic grounds, the report tells of the rejection of many Hindu and East Indian laborers who attempted to land at Pacific ports on the ground that they were likely to become public charges. It refers to a case now pending in the supreme court involving the right of the government to exclude certain Russians on the ground that they were bound for a locality in the west where it was known that there was not sufficient demand for laborers to justify the belief that they would be able to maintain themselves. Expressing the hope that the court will sustain the administrative officers, the report declares that if the officials are not vested with discretion to exclude aliens under such circumstances, "the law is not as comprehensive as it should be and much less potent to protect the people of this country that the bureau had always supposed it to be."

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amount is put at over \$7,000,000 feet, \$2.60 was bid.

Douglas fir, white fir, and incense cedar, which have a much lower market value, brought an average of only about 70 cents a thousand for a total of over \$3,000,000 feet. The purchaser will be allowed an operating period of fifteen years, besides a year at the beginning for the construction of necessary improvements; but the prices to be paid are subject to readjustment every five years.

The Utah timber is in the Wasatch national forest, and will be cut chiefly for railroad ties. It comprises, according to the government's estimate, \$2,600,000 board feet of green and dead lodgepole pine, Englemann spruce, and Alpine fir. The sale price is 10 cents for each 100 feet and 1-1/2 cent per linear foot for mine timber.

Notwithstanding that since the current fiscal year began, July 1, there have been two large previous sales of national forest timber, one in Arizona of less than \$10,000,000 feet; the other in Washington of nearly 100,000,000 feet, of which nearly one-fourth went to local residents, allowed free use, while out of a total of nearly 11,000 individual sales only 100 involved timber worth more than \$1,000. With timber receipts during the last fiscal year in excess of \$117,000,000, the forestry officials say that if the rate of growth already made this year continues the receipts will exceed all just records.

## REPORT OF BIRTHS

Dec. 1—To Mr. and Mrs. Leinenweber, No. 1014 of 4 Hall street, a son.

2—To Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Silva, of 101 Boston road, a son.

4—To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corzetta, of 17 Bay State court, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kapurzinsky, of 114 Bradford street, a son.

5—To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Zawodny, of 17 Spring street, a daughter.

8—To Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Paganini, of 741 Lakeview avenue, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wojciech Kramat, of 434 Reeds court, a daughter.

10—To Mr. and Mrs. John Kloss, of 107 of 75 South street, a daughter.



# CHRISTMAS TO CHILDREN

Festivities of Season at Orphanages and Institutions Through Kindness of Friends

Christmas cheer was made available in no studded measure at the various orphanages, homes and institutions through the good will of many kind friends. It is safe to say that never before was the Christmas festival the occasion of so much joy and such liberal generosity as was experienced by the orphanages and homes for children in their celebration of the feast.

Before Christmas some of the larger children said: "There ain't no Santa Claus." Now both big and little are convinced that there is a "Santa" and that he is getting better as he grows older. He certainly forgot nobody this trip.

**St. Peter's Orphanage**  
Great Yuletide spirit prevailed among the children at St. Peter's orphanage Christmas day, and of course there was a reason, for the little ones were given a real treat in the form of a turkey dinner and Christmas tree exercises.

As usual the day was ushered in with a mass in the morning, the service being held in the chapel of the institution. All the children of the home as well as the kind sisters in charge were in attendance and during the service a special musical program was given by the attendants of the home. A short instruction on the significance of the day was delivered by the officiating clergymen, and the rest of the forenoon was devoted to home games.

At noon the children were served a very appetizing turkey dinner and it is fair to assume that it was enjoyed by all. The dinner was provided by members of St. Elizabeth's Guild and other friends of the orphanage. At the close of the meal all repaired to the assembly hall, where the Christmas tree exercises were held. A couple of large trees well laden with toys and other good things of all descriptions were stripped and the contents were distributed among the children, whose little hearts were thumping with joy.

Following the presentation of gifts a rare musical program and the few invited guests present spent a most delightful afternoon. The exercises closed with the singing of Christmas carols and benediction of the blessed sacrament in the chapel.

**Ayer Home**

Christmas was observed in a very delightful way at the Ayer Home in Pawtucket street. The program consisted of the presentation of a pleasing playlet entitled "Spirit of Christmas" and written purposely for the occasion by the matron, Mrs. E. J. Tarr. This took place in the forenoon and proved a feature of the day.

At the close of the entertainment Santa Claus paid a visit to the home and incidentally left a lot of his good things with the children. So enthused were the children and so interested were they in their toys, that it meant a little coaxing to have them lay aside their Christmas gifts to partake of a good turkey dinner.

In the afternoon the children were escorted to the Pawtucket Congregational church, where they listened to a very interesting Christmas concert by the church choir.

**Children's Home**

The last Christmas tree exercises to be held at the present children's home in Kirk street took place Saturday, and proved one of the most interesting in the history of the home. The children after a few days will occupy new quarters in Central street. The exercises were held in the afternoon and when the program was ended all the little ones were enjoying themselves with their many toys, and the variety of good things provided.

**Chelmsford Street Hospital**

In order to make the Christmas celebration the best ever at the Chelmsford street hospital, kind friends of the institution sent gifts and flowers, which were placed here and there through the edifices. Those to whom the superintendent and inmates are grateful for the floral decorations are Mrs. Mary Holden, the Middlesex Women's club and the Day Nursery and a few others.

At noon the inmates of the institution were treated to a fine turkey dinner with all the accompaniments. In the evening pie and peaches were served in addition to the usual edibles. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. Augustin Graton, O.M.I. At the close of the service the children were served a collation and then they returned to their little nests.

At noon the little ones were given a real Christmas tree in the form of a turkey dinner including all the "fixins" as well as Christmas candy, chocolates, oranges, cake, ice cream and other delicacies, graciously furnished by Undertaker and Mrs. Amadee Archambault. The collation at the close of the midnight mass was graciously furnished by Caterer Sharpe.

Saturday, January 1st, is "Quarter Day" at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

## ST. ANNE'S CHIMES

CAROL SINGERS GATHERED WITH PORTABLE ORGAN TO HAIL THE CHRISTMAS MORNING

The mild weather, Friday night, was particularly favorable to the carrying out of the program at St. Anne's church, which consisted of carol singing in the porch, a custom which has been in vogue for three years and one that's greatly appreciated. When the church bong out the well known Christmas hymns the crowd began to gather and before the boys had taken their position in the porch there were hundreds waiting to hear them. The carol singers were accompanied by a portable organ and a cornet.

### J. ANTHONY SMYTHE.

Popular Actor Sends Christmas Greeting to Lowell Friends Through The Sun

The Sun is in receipt of the following telegram from Mr. J. Anthony Smythe, the popular actor, formerly of this city:

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 21, 1915.

Editor Lowell Sun:

Through you I wish a merry Christmas to my Lowell friends.

J. Anthony Smythe,  
American Theatre,  
Spokane, Wash.

# TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

**STEEL'S HIGHEST PRICE**  
ADVANCED TO 89% HIGHEST SINCE 1910—THE CLOSING WAS STRONG

**BOSTON MARKET**  
RAILROADS

**Stocks** High Low Close

Boston Elevated 82 82 82

Mass & Maine 32 32 34

N.Y. & N.H. 77 75 76 76

**MINING**

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Alaska Gold 252 215 215

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**TELEPHONE**

Am Tel & Tel 1294 1294 1294

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**MISCELLANEOUS**

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**BOSTON MARKET**

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Local mining shares were in light demand during the first hour today. Prices were irregular except in zinc stocks which were very strong. The market broadened later.

**EXCHANGES**

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Exchanges, \$72,163,150; balances, \$29,130,741.

**COTTON MARKET**

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Cotton futures opened steady. January, 11 50; March, 12 27; May, 12 49; July, 12 65; October, 12 36.

Cotton futures closed steady. January, 12 12; March, 12 35; May, 12 60; July, 12 56; October, 12 46. Spot quiet, middling uplands, 12 35.

**MORE SALARY INCREASES**

CLOSE OF YEAR HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF AT CITY HALL—SAME OLD STORY

About this time two years ago the newspapers were making considerable comment on the fact that the retiring members of the city council were increasing salaries among some of the high-priced clerks at city hall.

It would now appear that history is repeating itself for Mayor Murphy has raised a clerk who received \$12 a week under former Mayor O'Donnell, to \$100 per year, while in the water department, a clerk has been raised from \$1250 per year to \$1500 or more than the aggregate raises made by former Commissioner Barrett, about which there was so much comment.

**ED. McGLOIN SURPRISED**

Former Lowell Resident Dined By Friends at Arlington Hotel, On Christmas Night

Mr. Edward McGloin, formerly of North Billerica but now of Utica, Mass., came to Lowell to spend the Christmas holidays and before departing was the recipient of a most pleasant surprise. He was summoned to the Arlington hotel Christmas night, and upon his arrival, there found a number of his friends awaiting him around the festive board, to the seat of honor at which he was promptly escorted. After a luncheon had been served Mr. Thomas Smith, officiating as toastsmaster, in a heat speech presented Mr. McGloin, a beautiful clock and an Elk's head watch charm. Mr. McGloin though completely surprised, was in graceful manner and with a smile, accepted. After a luncheon had been served Mr. Thomas Smith, officiating as toastsmaster, in a heat speech presented Mr. McGloin, a beautiful clock and an Elk's head watch charm. Mr. McGloin though completely surprised, was in graceful manner and with a smile, accepted.

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# THOMAS STOPS WALSH PANAMA CANAL

LOCAL BOY TOOK LACING AT HANDS OF LAWRENCE BOXER CHRISTMAS DAY

Young Walsh of this city proved failure in his attempt to "comeback" against Kid Thomas of Lawrence at Lawrence Christmas afternoon. Walsh was beaten from the start, his finish being only a matter of time and Jim Ray Mahan made the right move when he tossed in the sponge as a token of defeat.

Walsh started the first at a terrible clip, but could not penetrate Thomas defense. At the close of the first session, the local boxer succeeded in landing a left right to Thomas head, but the left rang before any further damage was done.

Thomas kept up his jabbing tactics, making Walsh feel harassed from the effects of the bombardment.

Walsh was very wild, having no direction to his punches, while Thomas was cool and deliberate in his movements.

The third round was a hard one for Walsh; he was battered from elbow to post until the sponge was thrown in.

In the main bout, Larry Burns was Pacific held out after nine rounds of of fighting by Pete Hartley of New York, manager of the canal zone, made public last night. Final construction was just prior to the canal's opening and is described in the report, which embraces the fiscal year ending June 30, just prior to the earth slides which blocked the channel.

Between Aug. 15, 1914, and June 30, 1915, 536 vessels, representing a net Panama canal tonnage of 1,831,723 and cargo tonnage of 2,125,735 were passed through from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and 555 vessels, representing a net Panama canal tonnage of 1,875,307 and cargo tonnage of 2,811,057, from the Pacific to the Atlantic, making a total of 1,885 vessels with net canal tonnage of 3,707,030 and a cargo tonnage of 4,937,772. During this period three main slides interrupted traffic, the head and body. Burns sent Hartley down for a short vacation in the second and March round; it was not a clean breakdown, 4 to 16, 1915.

Construction of the canal proper extended for dredging, excavation and concreting of the east breakwater, after being started from the east, the head, remained the Goldfield cut, there were removed in the process of construction during the year, 1,369,647 cubic yards at an average of approximately 42½' a yard. In concluding the channel—including removal of earth deposited by slides there were taken from Goldfield cut 4,710,506 cubic yards at a cost of 21.2 cents a yard and from the channel at the Atlantic entrance 1,232,329 cubic yards at a cost of 16.6 cents a yard.

"Cheerleader slide," the report says, "was very active from July to October, 1914, quiet during the dry season and active again with the beginning of the rainy season in April. On the west end of Cutler, the slide showed little activity through the greater part of the year, but in June, 1915, the general movement of the bank was noticeable, and it was estimated that \$4,000,000 cubic yards of material were in motion on June 30, 1915, on the west side. It is estimated that about 4,000,000 cubic yards will have to be removed from the east side."

Of the \$391,399,140 appropriated by congress to June 30, last, the report states that \$14,655,713 has been spent on fortifications; \$75,000 to cover three annual payments to the Republic of Panama; \$6,445,000 for the operation of the civil government of the canal zone for the fiscal year 1915; \$1,223,575 for the operation and maintenance of the canal to the end of the fiscal year 1915; white stone on hand aggregated \$2,226,000, leaving \$36,059,116 appropriated for the actual construction of the canal and its adjuncts.

Two million dollars of this was invested in colliers, and \$6,566,007 was returned to the treasury department up to the close of the fiscal year 1915 as miscellaneous receipts, leaving \$257,359,643 as the net amount expended for the canal, including the amount available for work still in progress. A dry dock, two coaling stations and terminal piers, not included in these figures, are yet to be constructed.

Health conditions in the canal zone, the report says were very good during the year. The total death rate from disease was reduced from 11.65 in 1914 to 11.77 in 1915. Victims of malaria, the principal cause of disability, were reduced 29 per cent, in number and the death rate 32 per cent. In the year, the admission rate to hospitals from typhoid was reduced more than 75 per cent, from dysentery 50 per cent, and the death rate from pneumonia was reduced more than 50 per cent.

Labor conditions were excellent. More than 600 men were given transportation home because they could not be assigned to play against each other.

The first period of the Lowell-Fitchburg game was over 25 minutes as a result of no time and the overrunning contributed to Lowell's defeat. Fitchburg scored a large number of points in the last 10 minutes of the first session.

Fitchburg defeated Lowell in their second meeting in the Central Massachusetts Basketball League last Friday night by a score of 51 to 32. The game was played in the Fitchburg armory before a large attendance. Lowell showed poor teamwork in the first and second periods while Fitchburg displayed passwork ability. At mid-court the winning combination of Park and Fathness started for Lowell, the former getting the most basis for the local quintet. Frank Peterson was taken out at the end of the second period and his place was taken by Manager Lew.

**Basketball Comment**

Maynard here tomorrow night. Multivany did not play in the game against Fitchburg, Christmas eve.

Jack Lassere will make his first appearance here tomorrow night with the Maynard contingent. It is quite likely that he and his brother Leo will be assigned to play against each other.

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Lowell leads League.

Company M, Militia, leads in the Central Massachusetts League. Ballou, by a margin of one game over the Marlboro, T. D. and the Almonte, C. of Worcester, which are tied for second place. The lead for Marlboro however, shows the 21st of the Marlboro T. D. quintet leading by 21 points over Marlboro of the Almonte team.

**DEFINITION OF AMATEUR**

**DELEGATES IN NEW YORK FOR CONFERENCE — OTHER ATHLETIC SESSIONS**

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Officers and delegates from 15 organizations governing amateur sports in the United States and Canada are here today to attend a conference called by the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America to consider the definition of an amateur. The meeting will be held later this afternoon. One of the main questions to be considered is that regarding the amateur standing of an athlete in one sport who has become a professional in another sport as in the case of Philemon, the Trinity college football player. The advisory committee of the Intercollegiate association has prepared for submission to the conference a definition of an amateur as "one who engages in sport solely for the pleasure and physical benefit he derives therefrom to whom sport is nothing more than an avocation." The committee's suggestion provides that an amateur may be discharged for fraud, such as passing under an assumed name, compassing for money, coaching for money, and using his athletic fame by allowing his name to be used to promote the sale of sporting goods, or by playing with or against professionals.

Two other important athletic conventions will follow the general conference. The National Collegiate Athletic association will hold its treasury in tenth annual convention, which William D. Hart will direct over a period of one week.

Married Men—Gordon, 201; Curry, 209; Cappel, 227; Lechner, 202; Jewett, 204; and 215; McLean, 205; McLean, 206; McLean, 207; McLean, 208; McLean, 209; McLean, 210; McLean, 211; McLean, 212; McLean, 213; McLean, 214; McLean, 215; McLean, 216; McLean, 217; McLean, 218; McLean, 219; McLean, 220; McLean, 221; McLean, 222; McLean, 223; McLean, 224; McLean, 225; McLean, 226; McLean, 227; McLean, 228; McLean, 229; McLean, 230; McLean, 231; McLean, 232; McLean, 233; McLean, 234; McLean, 235; McLean, 236; McLean, 237; McLean, 238; McLean, 239; McLean, 240; McLean, 241; McLean, 242; McLean, 243; McLean, 244; McLean, 245; McLean, 246; McLean, 247; McLean, 248; McLean, 249; McLean, 250; McLean, 251; McLean, 252; McLean, 253; McLean, 254; McLean, 255; McLean, 256; McLean, 257; McLean, 258; McLean, 259; McLean, 260; McLean, 261; McLean, 262; McLean, 263; McLean, 264; McLean, 265; McLean, 266; McLean, 267; McLean, 268; McLean, 269; McLean, 270; McLean, 271; McLean, 272; McLean, 273; McLean, 274; McLean, 275; 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## HEAVY DAMAGE BY STORM

### 10 Deaths in New York State and New England—Wires and Trees Razed, Houses Unroofed

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Northern and eastern New York and New England are slowly recovering today from the damage inflicted from yesterday's storm. A succession of rain, snow, lightning, sleet and thunder, winding up with a gale that tore down wires and trees, unroofed houses and drove shipping ashore, caused widespread damage and many deaths and accidents.

Telegraphic communication in some sections was still interrupted today owing to the leveling of telegraph poles by the high wind. In a similar manner the signal systems of railroad lines running north and northeast from New York were crippled and trains were not able to maintain their schedules.

New England suffered more severely than New York city and reports from there told of severe damage to buildings and vessels caught in the path of the gale. The snow-fall, except in northern New England and northern New York, was comparatively light, but sufficient to interrupt suburban street car service.

Eight deaths in this city were directly or indirectly attributed to the storm. The wind here at one time attained a velocity of 90 miles an hour.

#### COASTER A WRECK

Pell Mill Railway at Revere Blown Over—Caretaker, His Wife and Baby Narrowly Escape

REVERE, Dec. 27.—The Pell Mill Coaster, formerly the Musical Railway, one of the largest amusement structures at Revere beach was demolished in the gale yesterday afternoon. After 300 feet of the trestle-like structure, which at the highest point was about 20 feet up, went over.

The building is west of Baker ave and close to the tracks of the Narrow Gage railroad at Bath House station. The top of the run was capped with a small square roof which was carried across the street and landed on the roof of the house at 120 Baker avenue. Timbers crashed through the front of the house and struck Mrs. Morris Smokler, who with her three children were in the front room on the first floor. Mrs. Smokler's left arm was crushed and she was injured internally. The top floor of the house is occupied by the family of Harry Kempton, but they were all away.

The wreckage filled Baker avenue for 200 feet. Some of the timbers struck the three-flat house of Stefan Gaal, 135 Baker avenue. The front porch was damaged.

Under the center of the railway was a small cottage occupied by Charles Marinac, a caretaker. Mr. Marinac with his wife and baby were eating dinner and their escape from death was very narrow. The cottage was demolished.

The railway structure is owned by the Park Amusement company of Springfield, and was valued at \$10,000.

## BIG CHRISTMAS BUSINESS

THE VOLUME DONE IN STORES SURPASSED THAT OF ANY CHRISTMAS IN LOWELL

With the post offices filled with thousands of pieces of mail, the streets thronged with shoppers and sightseers, trolley cars jammed full of passengers, and the railroad station echoing to the rush of countless home-curers and those going away for the week-end, Christmas eve in Lowell was one long to be remembered. It is probable that not in recent years has there been such a rush of shoppers and visitors as that which characterized the entire day, Friday, extending well up to midnight.

Everything in the shape of a street car was utilized by the street railway company and it was impossible to keep to the schedules in all cases. Yet, although it was one of the heaviest days in the history of the company, no mishaps were reported, and aggravating delays from split switches and blown-out fuses were comparatively few.

The volume of business done by the local merchants this Christmas was far the greatest in the history of the city. For at least one solid week there was a steady stream of people passing through the stores and according to the merchants they spent their money liberally.

During the past few years the people have been educated to do their shopping early and a great many did so; but there are other thousands who wait until the last week and hundreds who put off making purchases until the last day. The Christmas shopping started in earnest about two weeks before Christmas, but the heavy downpour of rain one week ago Saturday put a damper on the business for people who were not obliged to leave the house on that day stayed in.

The weather during Christmas week, however, was favorable for shopping and every day and until late at night the stores were kept busy. Scores of extra clerks were engaged during Christmas week in the department stores and additional help was secured by the proprietors of smaller stores. It was indeed a hard week on the lady clerks, especially those who sold Christmas specialties, and many of the young ladies were glad when ten o'clock came Friday night.

In some of the down town stores the rush was so great that the clerks were provided support by the owner of the store. The clerks in J. L. Chaffey's were rushed so that Mr. Chaffey had supper served to the clerks on one of the upper floors of the building. In others also special arrangements were made for luncheon, down town.

Nearly all of the store owners seen today by The Sun man were jubilant over the business done and said it was

## THE STOCKHOLM ARRIVES

### SWEDISH STEAMER REACHED NEW YORK TODAY FROM GOTHENBURG

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Swedish steamer Stockholm formerly the Potsdam of the Holland-American line, reached New York today from Gothenburg, Sweden, on her first trip for the new Swedish-American line.

The Stockholm left Gothenburg on Dec. 11, but was held up by a British cruiser in the North sea, taken to Kirkwall on Dec. 13 and held three days.

Fifty eight sacks of mail of suspected German origin were removed by the British authorities.

Leaving Kirkwall Dec. 16, the Stockholm encountered rough weather during almost the entire voyage across the Atlantic and approached New York yesterday in the teeth of the Christmas storm.

### DISMISS GERMAN CLERKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—It became known Sunday that on Christmas eve two Germans in the foreign exchange department of the National City bank were forced to resign. The occurrence was said to mark the beginning of a systematic effort on the part of the bank to rid itself of several Germans in its employ—not necessarily all of them. The names of the clerks are withheld by the bank, but it has been learned that one lives in Brooklyn and the other in West 109th street.

Rockport coast guardmen rescued captain and four men of the British schooner Mayflower, which is in danger of going to pieces on the rocks.

Watertown's wind demolished a two-apartment house and swept down 300 feet of an 11-foot fence.

Lowell's trolley service was demoralized and two old elms fell, causing considerable damage.

Worcester had two injured, Albert Lindstrom and John Anderson being victims of a milk wagon and trolley car collision.

Braintree Congregational church steeple was lifted off and dropped upright in front of the building.

Providence set a new wind record, 82 miles an hour.

Fitchburg lost two chimneys, those of the Arden Mills and the Unitarian church; Asst. Fire Chief Wheeler injured in collision.

Haverhill's chief street, Merrimack, littered with wreckage when a temporary roof was carried away; chimney fell into Academy of Music auditorium; hundreds of fences down.

Westfield's loss will be thousands. Two big tobacco barns were demolished, roofs carried off and a school gable blown in.

Nashua has its highest wind velocity of 40 years. A window was sucked out by the vacuum following a gust; many windows were broken and a corner of a factory fell to the sidewalk.

Concord, N. H., house smashed in by a falling tree; barn blown down and parts of it carried a half mile.

Providence, R. I., with a 70-mile wind had its highest and lowest tides of years.

Windsor, Conn., fears that H. Eckman, a mail carrier, was killed in the collapse of a house.

Greenwich, Conn., reports damage to the New Haven road's electric system almost as bad as two weeks ago.

Montpelier had eight inches of snow and the wind caused much damage to wire services.

Portland had more wire trouble than before in two years and for a time was completely isolated; barometer at 28.8.

much better than they anticipated.

The provision dealers also did a rushing business and as a general rule the turkeys and chickens were much better than those offered for sale at Thanksgiving time.

The clerks and carriers at the post office did the biggest business in the history of the office the volume of packages sent by parcels post being much bigger than was expected. It was early this morning that the delivery was finished as parcels sent from out of town came in too late to be delivered Saturday.

## RACE RIOT IN SALOON

INDIANS BATTLE WITH WHITES IN OLDTOWN, ME.—ONE MAN'S JAW BROKEN

OLDTOWN, Me., Dec. 27.—One man is in the hospital with a broken jaw and another with a fractured ankle, while five Indians, one of whom is Joe Neptune, the baseball player, are locked up as the result of a race riot late Saturday night in Joe Madore's saloon not far from the Indian Island landing.

Trouble arose between the Indians and whites early in the evening, but was stopped by the police, who dispersed the belligerents. Later, however, both parties returned and renewed hostilities.

The interior of the saloon was wrecked. Fred Madore, the bartender, was struck in the jaw by some heavy article, causing a bad fracture. Adelbert McGuire has a fractured ankle which he thinks was caused by an Indian jumping upon it, while all the Indians were more or less battered.

The police came the second time and quieted the disturbance just as it promised to become serious with Indian reinforcements on the way from the island. It appears that the Indians got the better of the battle, outnumbering the whites.

### RECORD NUMBER OF BILLS

During the First 12 Days of Congress 678 Bills Have Been Introduced

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Bill clerks of the house who are still working on the records of proceedings of the sessions up to the holiday recess, reported today that the number of the bills already introduced at the 61st Congress more than doubles the number of such measures presented in a similar period during the first 12 days of the last Congress. 329 bills were introduced.

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

## AMMUNITION IN DANGER

### NEW YORK FIREMEN QUICKLY EXTINGUISHED THE BLAZE WITH SMALL LOSS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Three million rounds of cartridges, thousands of Springfield rifles and revolvers and other weapons were endangered by a fire in the storage room of a building in West Houston street early today. The fire was quickly extinguished with small loss, before reaching the ammunition.

Police who investigated the circumstances said they learned that the ammunition was bought in this country by German agents seven months ago with the intention of shipping it to Germany by the way of South America and a neutral European port. The plan, they said, failed because sailors of British vessels refused to engage in work of carrying ammunition to the enemies of Great Britain.

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### GOVERNMENT LOTTERY

FERROL, Spain, Dec. 27, via Paris.—The capital prize of 6,000,000 pesetas, (\$1,200,000) in the Christmas drawing of the government lottery was won by the crew of the cruiser Alfonso XIII.

The prize will be divided among 719 men who subscribed to the ticket, the price of which was 1000 pesetas.

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### FOR WILLARD-FULTON BOUT

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.—Tom Andrews, agent for the promoters of the bout between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton slated for next March, left here for New Orleans today, saying he would attempt to clear up the tangled situation resulting from rumored blaches in negotiations for the bout. At Chicago Andrews expects to meet Tom Jones, Willard's manager, who will accompany him to New Orleans.

## BELGIAN STEAMER SUNK

### 30,000 WAR PRISONERS

AUSTRIANS TURNED OVER TO ITALY BY SERBIA INTERNED IN SARDINIA

ROME, Dec. 26.—Serbia has turned over to Italy 30,000 Austrian prisoners, who are being interned in Sardinia, and accompanied there by Serbian officers.

A despatch from Marseilles on Dec. 17, said that forty thousand soldiers and 750 Bulgarian, German and Austro-Hungarian officers taken prisoners by the Serbians, had arrived there on their way to a concentration camp.

### 1105 DEER KILLED

Put to Death in Massachusetts During One Week Open Season in November

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The state fish and game commission announced today that 1102 deer were killed in Massachusetts during the one week open season November. The total was the smallest since 1911. Berkshire, with a kill of 298 led all counties.

### STEAMER GROUNDED

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The steamer Nieuw Amsterdam, which sailed from New York Dec. 14 for Rotterdam, grounded at Fordsburg, a point on the coast of Deal, on leaving the Downs this morning. She got off at noon and proceeded.

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